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Great efforts begin with a simple idea. Sewickley Academy students school wide did without in order to donate to the tsunami relief fund. **See Page 3.**

SPORTS

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GLOBAL EFFORT

DR. CHIP Lambert gives a checkup to a tsunami survivor in Sri Lanka. (Below) a woman holds her house key, the only remnant left of her home.

Doctor provides aid across seas

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

When Dr. Chip Lambert left his home three weeks ago, he had no plane ticket and no way back.

But he knew where he was going.

The Edgeworth resident was headed to Sri Lanka to give aid to victims of December's tsunami.

As a team member with Doctors Worldwide, Lambert spent two weeks last month delivering antibodies, dressing wounds and healing lacerations in a country devastated by natural disaster.

In early January, Lambert, an emergency medical physician and professor at Allegheny General Hospital, was approached by a pharmaceutical delivery company to travel to the region on a cargo flight.

But when he learned it would take one week to get the right drugs, Lambert found connections

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SEWICKLEY

Liquor store will open this Sunday

By Rachel Weaver

Staff writer

The Wine and Spirits Shoppe on Beaver Street in Sewickley will have Sunday hours from noon to 5 p.m. starting Feb. 6.

Molly McGowen, Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board spokesperson, said the Sewickley store was selected for extended hours after state legislation raised the limit of stores eligible for Sunday sales from 10 to 25 percent.

The Sewickley store, she said, was chosen based on sales volume and geography.

Susan Hobart, Wine and Spirits district manager, said the closest extended-hours stores for Sewickley residents are in Emsworth, Robinson and the North Hills.

The store's Sunday sales will be monitored for three months. If the new hours don't generate a minimum of $3,000 to $4,000 in sales, the extended hours will end and the PLCB will pick a new location.

McGowen said the required increase is obtainable.

"These stores are carefully selected and others are averaging $9,000 in Sunday sales, though there is a huge variation," she said.

"Most stores have no trouble. People like the convenience. People are so busy these days, it's hard for them to have one less day a week to get to the store."

Signs have been posted in store windows alerting customers to the change.

In November, Wine and Spirits took over the space formerly occupied by Name Dropper to use as storage while the old storage room is being turned into a premium wine sales area. Remodeling will last several more months.

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ONE WORLD

Academy students go without for tsunami victims' relief

By Rachel Weaver
Staff writer

Vik Pisipati awoke the morning of Dec. 26 at his grandparents' home near the coast of the Indian Ocean where he was visiting over Christmas break.

Looking outside, he wondered why people stood on the crowded beach watching the high waves.

Miles away in Northern India, his Sewickley Academy classmate Samyika Jain was attending the wedding ceremonies of her cousin with no access to a television.

She would not learn until later in the week that the most powerful earthquake in 40 years had sent a wave over South Asia killing more than 100,000 people.

"Everyone was in disbelief. It was all anyone talked about and all over the TV," says Vik.

As initial panic subsided, the two reflected on their good fortune. Samyika's family had planned to spend a holiday weekend in the affected area but opted to stay home at the last minute.

Vik's father and grandfather belong to a walking club, which met that morning just 50 miles north of the disaster.

When academy classes reconvened, the two friends knew they needed to do something to help the people who weren't as lucky.

Vik Pisipati and Samyika Jain

Working with faculty members such as Bruce Houghtaling and Dr. Joan Reteshka, the students launched "Go Without Week," the academy's initial response to the huge demand for aid in South East Asia, India and Africa.

For one week in early January, students and staff did without non-essential and luxury items and donated the savings to the Tsunami Emergency Relief Efforts.

Everyone in the school was urged to change small everyday behaviors to help others. After the first round of donations, the school had collected $6,889.43 for the American Red Cross.

Creativity played a big part in many students' cutbacks.

Braxton, a Lower School student, asked people to bring donations instead of presents to his birthday party, and his classmate, Elizabeth, donated the money she saved from renting a movie from the library instead of buying one.

Senior School students carpooled and donated the money they saved on gas, did chores around the house to earn money, and cut back on trips to Starbucks and restaurants.

The After Ours program at the academy went without juice with snacks for a week and saved money on 94 cups and 94 drinks. The German Club and the Home and School Association raised $500 each.

Also during the week, the school conserved energy by lowering the heat to conserve mode for one day, saving $312.

In the Middle School, students emptied piggy banks full of allowance money into the collection jar located at the academy commons.

"They were donating their own money, not just their parents' money," says Vic. "It was such a great response."

When the week was over, the jug was full of cash and checks, some exceeding $100.

The money will be used in Asia to provide emergency health kits; family water kits with detergent, soap, wash basin, towels, bucket and water purification tablets; and "School-in-a-Box" kit containing basic education supplies for 80 children during times of crisis.

A longer-term effort to re-build schools in the region will be the academy's focus of ongoing giving. Future fund-raisers include a benefit concert and a silent auction.

Both Vik and Samyika, who are members of the South Asia Youth Club, the Indian Awareness Club and Future Business Leaders of America, agree the disaster won't stop them from visiting their families in India.

Samyika hopes to return this summer to volunteer in the affected areas and surrounding neighborhoods.

Anyone interested in donating can send a check to Sewickley Academy, c/o the Student Council, 315 Academy Ave., Sewickley, PA 15143.

GLOBAL EFFORT

Edgeworth doctor assists with Sri Lankan relief efforts

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instead with Doctors Worldwide, an organization dedicated to providing medical relief and aid to those who are in need.

The group was preparing for what many people feared most after the tsunamis first hit: Outbreaks of dysentery and cholera.

Guided by religious inspiration and an attraction to the unknown, Lambert packed his bags, hopped a commercial flight to join a team of doctors he'd met only via e-mail.

"It was a huge leap of faith, but as a Christian, you have a comfort zone and faith that it will all be taken care of," he says.

Lambert spent his days traveling to various refugee camps, treating approximately 150 people each day.

But much to his surprise, the diseases didn't come during his stay.

"I credit that to the water engineer and sanitation crews," says Lambert. "They set up the refugee camps really effectively."

Instead, the doctor saw endless cases of people dealing with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Lambert's days were spent near 300 meters of beach where a thriving village once stood. The flattened remains made it impossible to imagine what it once was.

People came to him with tales of sleepless nights and the inability to eat. He met fishermen who lost their boats and their livelihood. He saw parents who were concerned about their children's nightmares.

"They are a very reserved culture. There are no outbursts of anger. People would come to us and say that their kids were yelling in fits of rage. That's uncommon for all of their people."

He saw people weep as they sat on the foundations of their destroyed homes. He watched as they gazed out into the water wondering if their children would return safely or wash up on the shore like so many others had.

Toward the end of his stay, teams of psycho-social doctors came to the area, but Lambert says a need for more qualified people still exists.

Despite the despair, everyday routines persisted. Kids played and people conversed. But they all knew they had no where to go as the government prohibited the rebuilding of homes on their old locations.

While this was his first trip to South Asia, Lambert has done missionary work in other parts of the world over the past decade.

He's traveled to Central America providing aid in Guatemala, Costa Rica and Nicaragua several times and journeyed to Malawi, Africa, last fall.

He takes senior residents with him on many of his trips to teach them about medical aid in other countries.

While his work is demanding, Lambert finds inspiration in his wife, Beth, a Presbyterian minister, and their two children: Hannah, 11, and Parke, 6.

"I miss him when he's gone, but I know he's doing something good," says Hannah.

Lambert humbly acknowledges his good fortune at being able to travel around the world to help others.

"I have my wife here and she has support from her parents. They kept the kids while I was gone. My work was very generous in covering my shifts," he says.

Happy to do the work others may not have the means or desire to do, Lambert follows his heart, even if it takes him half a world away.

"As a Christian, I believe we are all given talents and we should use them to the best of our ability. Sometimes, that may make you feel a little uncomfortable.

"You don't do this work unless you have an adventurous spirit. There is a lot of uncertainty. You have to like being on the edge a little bit and seeing things you wouldn't normally see."

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District awards bids, debates Act 72

QUAKER VALLEY

Quaker Valley School Board will hold a special legislative meeting tonight (Wednesday) at 7 to award bids for the Edgeworth Elementary School renovation project.

The meeting will be held in the Community Room at Quaker Valley Middle School, 203 Graham St.

The renovation project at Edgeworth is scheduled to begin this spring and be completed in August of 2006. The school building will be closed for the entire 2005-2006 school year and operations will be transferred to the unoccupied Anthony Wayne Elementary School building in Ambridge under an agreement with the Ambridge Area School District.

An identical renovation project at Osborne Elementary School is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2006, with the Osborne operations shifting to Anthony Wayne for the 2006-2007 school year.

■ Following the board meeting, the Quaker Valley Act 72 Study Committee will meet as scheduled at 7:30.

An independent report on the impact of Pennsylvania Act 72 legislation to the Quaker Valley area will be given by David Sallack, managing director of Public Financial Management Inc. of Harrisburg, a consulting firm hired to study the legislation.

The committee is comprised of board members Debora Miller, Tom Patton, Mark Scioscia and Marianne Wagner, and community members Betty Moraca, David Ciesinski, Don Templin and Marvin Wedeen.

This committee was formed to help the school board make informed decisions about district participation in Act 72. Several key decisions have to be made by May 30.

Act 72 seeks to provide modest property tax reduction by increasing local income taxes and combining them with state gambling revenue. Act 72 does not provide districts with additional state or local revenue.

Residents can learn more about Act 72 through the Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators at www.pasa-net.org or the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (www.pasbo.org). Information also will be posted on the QV Web site, www.qvsd.org.

Members send resolution to Harrisburg

SCHOOL BOARD

Quaker Valley School Board unanimously approved its own version of a cyber-charter school draft resolution at January's legislative meeting.

Following the lead of the Shaler Area School Board, QV is asking that tuition for any student who attends Pennsylvania Cyber Charter School in Midland, Pa., be paid for by the state.

At present, 14 students from Quaker Valley attend the cyber school at a cost of $127,700 per year.

Since its founding in 2000, the Midland school has increased attendance from 529 to 2090 students in the 2003-2004 school year.

Each student there is supplied with a computer and printer, internet connection, software programs, textbooks and materials, and a personalized study plan under the direction of an instructional supervisor. Classes or complete grade levels may be accomplished from the comfort of a student's home.

All costs for this education are borne by the student's home district via state funding to each of the 501 school districts.

While the board believes the state has the right to offer alternative educational opportunities, it also believes the state has the responsibility to fund the mandate — without decreasing its support of public schools.

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Ivan strikes pipeline, repairs done

By Jon Paul Creese
Staff writer

AFTER THE STORM

Effects of Hurricane Ivan are evident even more than four months after the storm dumped record amounts of precipitation in the Sewickley Valley.

Last week, equipment operators from Buckeye Pipeline were busy near Little Sewickley Creek between Nichols Field and the bridge in Edgeworth repairing a 10-inch pipeline carrying liquid petroleum.

"The pipeline was exposed from heavy rains," explained Dennis Macek of Buckeye Pipeline. "The bed of the creek was washed out and exposed it."

About 150 feet of pipeline was affected.

Macek said his crew encased the pipeline in concrete to avoid future mishaps, a fix he hopes will last indefinitely.

The project took about two weeks to finish.

Leetsdale landslide repairs pending

It will take a few more weeks for a study on the Beaver Road landslide to be completed.

But after it is done, Quaker Valley School District, owner of the property from which earth and trees fell in Leetsdale, will know exactly how the hillside should be shored up to prevent another road closing.

Kimball and Associates was hired by the district to perform an engineering study at a cost not to exceed $12,000.

Roadway debris has caused PAT buses to change routes through the borough.

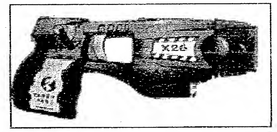
"We are on it," said Joan Murdoch, board president. "We're moving as fast as we can, but there are more safety implications than cleaning up the debris."

Students from QVHS Service Learning Center will run errands for residents of the Leetsdale high-rise.

SEWICKLEY

Police use grant money for tasers

By Rachel Weaver
Staff writer



Sewickley police are getting new weapons to help them fight crime and decrease the possibility of officer injuries.

With the remaining funds they received from a grant last year from Sen. John Pippy, Chief John Mook is ordering taser guns for each of his seven full-time officers.

"It's the weapon of the future," said Mook. "You're not using deadly force, yet it's more humane than using a club."

Taser guns can be used from 21 feet away or from within touching distance.

When the probes fired from the taser make contact with the target, the gun transmits powerful electrical pulses along the wires and into the person's body through up to two inches of clothing.

The taser doesn't have to penetrate a criminal's skin to be effective and most likely won't, especially in cold weather when people wear thick coats.

The shock lasts long enough for the officer to apprehend the disabled criminal.

Because each taser costs around $800, the department will use $7,000 in grant money to fund its purchase. The rest of the funds were used last year to buy .40 caliber automatic guns and ammunition.

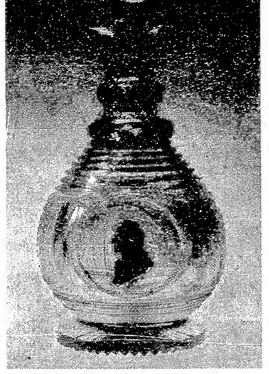
Mook said tasers appealed to him because of their ability to decrease officer injuries.

The Orange County Sheriff's Office in Florida reports the use of tasers decreased the number of police injuries by 80 percent in one year, from 120 to 24. Because each police injury costs the department approximately $5,000, the Orange County department saved $480,000.

Mook hopes to have the Taser X26 systems he's ordering from Taser International by March.

Officer Tony Seagal will be certified as an instructor to teach the rest of the force to handle their new weapons.

February at the Frick Art & Historical Center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OPINION

VILLAGE VOICES

Should liquor stores be open on Sundays?

JODY COPELAND
Moon Township
"Yes. It's more convenient."

GEORGE MERRICK
Sewickley
"Yes. It's no different from any other day."

MICHAEL MUSSMAN
Coraopolis
"I'm against it. Sunday is a day of rest, so they should not be open."

ROB SCHUSTER
Edgeworth
"I'm pretty much for it. The convenience is wonderful. Other states and countries do it, and I don't think it's going to be a problem."

RAY CRAWFORD
Sewickley
"That's a bad question for a veteran. I think they should be open 24-7."

See how to connect with your neighbors via Letters to the Editor on Page 10.

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EDITORIAL

Fresh ideas needed for May 17th primary

By Dona S. Dreeland
Editor

So, the community where you live seems to be going to heck in a handbasket with taxes up and services down.

And from what you've read in the Herald, some of the people you elected four years ago to solve your everyday neighborhood problems don't seem to be working hard enough or quickly enough to meet your needs.

What to do?

Vote them out, of course.

But why not take a more challenging step of entering your name on the ballot in the spring. The process isn't difficult.

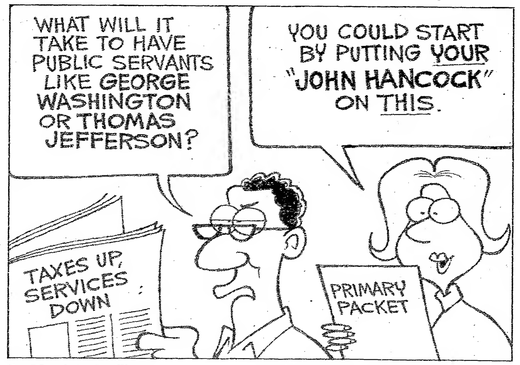
Beginning Tuesday, Feb 8, Allegheny County Elections Division personnel will have primary packets available for any would-be candidate.

The packets are free and can be picked up at the County Office Building, 542 Forbes Ave., Suite 604, in Pittsburgh. The course of the filing procedure is explained therein.

Anyone over age 18 with community residency of one year is eligible to enter the political race for seats on local councils and boards.

There is no filing fee for municipal or school board positions. All you need are 10 friends who would lend their signatures to your petition.

When the paperwork, which includes an ethics statement and a notary's stamp, is completed, the information will need to be returned to the county by the March 28 deadline.



Once the papers are authorized, your campaign for the May 17 primary can begin.

Most local candidates have gained support via mailings and going door to door. With this kind of meet-and-greet opportunity, neighbor to neighbor, positions on and hopes for local government can be shared.

Running for local office is a meaningful pursuit. It's for those who want to lead by directing thoughts and conversation toward something productive and away from the whine of constant complaining.

Talk is easy; serving the community where you live may be difficult at times — but with each positive change, it can be so very rewarding.

Ask those who have given their energies to the places they call home. Their stories may contain some inspiration. Enough, perhaps, for you to build a platform, launch a campaign and win.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Open letter to Aleppo's president, board

Dear Ollie,

I read with wonder your comments and those of fellow Aleppo commissioners in the Jan. 26, Sewickley Herald Star.

In the article, your thrust was that Aleppo becomes a tidy township if Commissioner Carolyn Smith simply goes away. You further stated that Carolyn is determined to benefit only herself.

This silliness was capped by Gloria Vish's bleeding-heart resignation proclamation. Does she really believe that Aleppo's residents forget that she was township president during all those financially reckless years? Besides, Ms. Vish resigned as a legal prerequisite prior to her campaigning for district magistrate Judge Russo's vacant seat. So much for candor.

Your tirades were not about Vish's political ambitions however. Rather, your agenda had more to do with Carolyn's law suit filed against the township, its commissioners, and Solicitor Bernard Rubb.

The case is now in Federal court, and supported by the American Civil Liberties Union. In essence, she complains of systematic exclusion from township affairs. I joined Carolyn in the ACLU-supported action. I took this step not because Carolyn is my wife, but based on my review of township history..

A few of the facts: In November 2001, Carolyn ran for commissioner. Her platform was to involve more Aleppo residents in township affairs, a good idea which led to you to actively campaign in her behalf. After elected, Carolyn served as finance committee co-chairperson; Sam Trapp held the chair.

Things began turning sour for her during the summer of 2003 when, after receiving the township's 2002 financial audit, Carolyn suspected that Aleppo was running out of cash. Township manager Patricia Flaherty agreed, giving the township only a few more months of solvency. Manager Flaherty informed

President Trapp and Commissioner Starr were unmoved. Carolyn thereupon raised the issue at a township public meeting; this too fell on deaf ears.

She tried to activate a citizens' finance committee to confirm her findings, only to be again stonewalled. Seeing nowhere else to turn, she resigned as finance co-chair, and then "blew the whistle" by revealing to the press that for the past several years the township was losing about $200,000 annually, and running out of cash.

After that, the township set out to shoot the messengers. Manager Flaherty resigned. Treasurer Sandra Moore was accused of misappropriating funds. As for Carolyn, her access to financial information dried up. The three of them – Ms. Flaherty, Ms. Moore and Carolyn - were openly accused of actually causing this financial mess.

Carolyn still hung on. She recruited you to run for commissioner in the November, 2003 elections. She likewise recruited Linda Campbell.

For two months Carolyn campaigned door-to-door. She recruited me to write letters, attend coffees and lick stamps, all in your and Linda's behalf. You both won.

I still remember your stump speech, Ollie, proclaiming that Aleppo was a financial disaster and no one seemed interested in a fix. On swearing-in day in January of 2004, Carolyn nominated you as board president. I doubt very much if either you or Ms. Campbell would be in office without Carolyn's push.

You have been in office for over a year now. I congratulate you and the other commissioners for taking difficult steps early, to slow the township's cash bleed. At the same time however, we still see the township stiff-arming its residents.

Relative to Carolyn's 2003 whistle-blowing, you took no action to collar your fellow commissioners, solicitor and employees from further blocking her participation.

Rather than being our leader on this and other diffi-

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The Greyhound: A wonderful companion with racing stripes

by Burton Patrick

For years I have been involved with Going Home Greyhounds. They are a group, like many other canine rescue groups, that give their heart and soul to helping dogs. This article is a tribute to them and their commitment to Greyhounds that take up so much of their spare time.

Greyhounds have been around for thousands of years. At first they were used to catch game and then as civilization developed they were used for sport to chase game. During the middle-ages these dogs began to course race. At the end of the 18th century, Queen Elizabeth the I set rules for evaluating the dogs abilities and set the first standardized course. Even today parallels can be drawn from man and animal acting out the hunter and gatherer traditions of their ancestry. There is a bond between human and dog in sport.

Most of the breeding of the modern day Greyhound came from a man named Lord Orford. He crossbred the existing Greyhound with a type of bull terrier and then backcrossed them a number of times to the original breed and the result was an amazing canine athlete called Czarina. She was a female Greyhound crossbred that could not be beaten. Two of her sons, Snowball and Major, had similar success. It is said that all Greyhounds today are derived from those two dogs.

The Greyhound you see today is the result of thousands of generations of good breeding over hundreds and thousands of years. As a result, the breed has good health, is a wonderful athlete, and a great pet. Breeding is an art form that comes to a few people with an eye for form and function.

The Greyhounds that become available are almost all from tracks around the US. Their racing careers are over in 2 to 4 years and then organizations like Going Home Greyhounds and Steel City Greyhounds pick them up through cooperation with the tracks and put them in foster homes. These foster homes have special training to transition them to home living. It is a work of passion for most of the volunteers.

During the foster-adoption period the volunteers find out the nature of the dog. Are they cat friendly? What is their personality like? Are there particular quirks that a new adoptive family should know? There is a wealth of information and understanding in regards to caring for the breed.

The Greyhound is a great pet and does well in smaller homes or apartments, once they understand how to climb stairs. A common misconception is that people think they need a lot of space to run, but in fact resting is one of their favorite activities. They also like to go for walks, but unless they are in a closed area you can never let them off a lead. Trying to get a sight hound that chased mechanical bunnies for a living to stop when called is almost impossible.

In general Greyhounds are mild mannered dogs with very few aggressions. Many are shy but are very loving pets, which makes them ideal family dogs. Their care is like that of any other dog and they are already crate trained. All they need is love, food, and exercise.

Their food requirements are similar to most dogs. On the track they eat a lot of raw diets and they are given raw beef bone. Once they are rescued, they are usually converted to dry food diets that have higher carbohydrate levels. I'm not a big fan of dry food as an only food source for any dog, and I feel very strongly that Greyhounds should not have an entirely dry diet. A balanced diet should consist of dry, wet, and raw foods that are high in protein.

In addition there are some health considerations with this breed. Greyhounds do not take to some anesthetics or flea products very well and they are more sensitive to various environmental toxins, but on the whole they are very healthy dogs.

This is just a brief summary of the Greyhound and their ability to make a quality pet for a family and you don't have to live through the challenges of puppyhood. I do hope that you will give them consideration the next time you are looking for a pet. They are wonderful animals to adopt and you'll be giving a home to a remarkable breed.

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Writer offers other side of Aleppo story

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cult township matters, you took a back seat to Solicitor Rubb.

That's disappointing, not only because leadership is your job but also because Solicitor Rubb was paid about $128,000 during 2004 to handle both your job and his.

More recently, you shrouded in secrecy the township's deliberations relative to the newly signed Masonic Homes agreement.

Few knew that the township was deliberating a 20-year agreement whose covenants indelibly change the nature of our community. Whether or not it was a "good" settlement the residents will never know.

Constructively, I implore you to undertake two initiatives.

First, settle the law suit. The $50,000+ in projected legal fees is totally unnecessary. The suit can and should be settled.

All that you and your fellow commissioners must do is include Commis-sioner Smith in township's affairs as you would each other. You can always vote her down. But to simply ignore an elected official is both illegal and unconstitutional.

Secondly, let us all work together to find three independently-thinking residents to stand for election as 2006-2010 commissioners. Time is running out.

On a more personal level, Ollie, you have done Carolyn a disservice. For the life of me, I cannot see how she benefited from all of this. Rather, she was on the receiving end of any number of threats and indignities. She deserves better treatment than that.

Bud Smith
resident, Aleppo Township

LETTER TO EDITOR

AGENDA

Aleppo: 3rd Monday, 7 p.m., 100 North Drive.
Bell Acres: 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., Big Sew. Creek Firehall.
Edgeworth: 3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Municipal Bldg., Beaver Road.
Glenfield: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Riverside Park.
Haysville: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., 34 South Avenue.
Leet: 2nd Monday, 7:30, Municipal Bldg.
Leetsdale: 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Municipal Bldg., Broad Street.
Osborne: 3rd Tuesday, 7:30, Osborne Elementary School.
Sewickley COW: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30, Borough Bldg.
Sewickley: 3rd Monday, 7:30, Borough Bldg.
Sewickley Heights: 3rd Monday, 4:30, Borough Hall.
Sewickley Hills: 1st Monday, 7:30, Fairhill Recreation Bldg.
Quaker Valley School Board: 4th Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Quaker Valley Middle School.

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Civic group appeals PennDOT permit for Wal-Mart

By Rachel Weaver
Staff writer

Robert Keir wants his message about the development of a Wal-Mart and surrounding shopping center in Kilbuck Township near his Avalon home to be clear.

DEVELOPMENT

Carolyn Smith, Bob Keir and Mary Louise Fowkes of Communities First!

"This is only a done deal when we run out of options," said the Communities First! member at a press conference at the Glenfield Community Center last week.

As co-chair of the nonprofit citizens group opposing the $28 million development at the former Dixmont State Hospital, Keir and other group members are appealing PennDOT's decision to grant a highway occupancy permit to Kilbuck Township and ASC Development, the company handling the Wal-Mart complex.

"The question of the day is: Who does PennDOT work for? The citizens or the developers?" said Carolyn Smith, Communities First! member.

The basis for the appeal states Communities First! was denied the opportunity to review all documents submitted in support of the developers' application.

The citizens group filed a petition in October to intervene with the project, a legal action intended to ensure it would have access to all information exchanged between agency and developer.

The appeal also suggests the developer's traffic plan failed to comply with PennDOT design standards and does not address flooding concerns on Route 65.

"The numbers they're using on their road study are flawed. We can prove it. We have proven it," said Keir.

Steve Zingerman, Glenfield mayor and founder of Communities First!, addressed the likelihood of increased traffic in the borough in a media statement, writing: "(It) will make it even harder – and more dangerous – for (residents of Kilbuck Street) to pull out of their homes. And Kilbuck Street is a mess – where potholes go to die.

"PennDOT can't even figure out who owns the road, let alone fix it."

Last month, Sewickley, Osborne and Glenfield Borough councils voted unanimously to intervene with the project.

Sewickley Council got involved with hopes of expanding the developers' traffic study to include the Sewickley Bridge.

Ralph Stroyne, owner of the property to be developed, finds concern about bridge traffic unwarranted.

"People on this side of the river use the Sewickley Bridge to get to the Robinson Township Wal-Mart now," he said.

He said US Airways layoffs will decrease traffic on the bridge as many of the affected workers are from Sewickley.

Stroyne does not think the discount retail store is to blame for residents' concerns.

"I've never met one person from Wal-Mart," he said. "We are one grain of sand on a beach to them."

The permit brings ASC one step closer to construction at the site, which was originally scheduled to begin in 2003.

For three years, Communities First! members have fought the development, citing problematic traffic, sewage and flooding issues.

"You can't do this to Allegheny County," said Mary Louise Fowkes, Communities First! co-chair.

"If the development goes through in five to eight years, we'll be paying some serious tax dollars."

Communities First! members have worked with Papst Consulting to find alternative ideas for developing the property.

"We're not against development," said Keir. "We'd love to have Mr. Stroyne make a pile of money. We're against making that money from Wal-Mart."

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CAPITOL STEPS

THE COLD of January couldn't chill the warm spirits of Linda Dawson (left) and Amanda Trimble, who journeyed to Washington, D.C., for the Inauguration of President George W. Bush on Jan. 20. After the ceremony, they toured the House of Representatives. Tickets were provided to Dawson by Rep. Tim Murphy.

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Heritage Valley names new members to board of directors

Heritage Valley Health System has named new leadership of its board of directors.

Tim Merrill of Sewickley will serve as chair; Laura Vassamillet of Bell Acres is vice chair; Joe Becherer of Beaver is secretary; and Frank Papa of Beaver is treasurer.

Tim Merrill, vice president and general manager of NRG Energy Center, Pittsburgh, is the founder of Industrial Energy Services Co. (IESCO), one of the country's first gas marketing companies.

He has been a key figure in the deregulation and restructuring of gas and power as a consultant for gas and power marketing companies.

He served on Gov. Richard Thornburgh's energy council and has led various energy trade associations.

A graduate of Yale University with a degree in engineering, Merrill also earned an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh.

He is a former board member and chair of the Sewickley Valley YMCA, a former member of the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce board, and a trustee of Friends of Quaker Valley Schools.

Merrill has served on the Heritage Valley board since 1999 and SVH Board of Directors since December 1992.

CAREERS

Laura Vassamillet is a vice president and trust administrative officer with National City Bank's Charitable Trusts and Foundations Group.

Prior to joining National City, she was an associate with the corporate finance group of Tucker Arensberg, P.C., a law firm, and served in various positions with PNC Bank.

Vassamillet graduated from Smith College and earned a law degree from the University of Pittsburgh. She is a member of the American, Pennsylvania and Allegheny County Bar associations, as well as the Women's Bar Association and Pennsylvania Bankers' Association.

She is also a member of The Estate Planning Council of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Planned Giving Council.

She has served on the Heritage Valley board since 2004.

Joe Becherer retired from the Eaton Corp. as a senior vice president and general manager of the Cutler Hammer business in 1997. Becherer had been a vice president of Westinghouse Electric. He has served on the Heritage Valley board since 2002.

Frank G. Papa, owner of Brighton Hot Dog Shoppe, is a licensed CPA and involved in real estate development.

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(February 2, 2005) – Regular physical activity is one of the best ways to promote overall wellness. Besides the obvious benefits of keeping your weight down, regular exercise has been shown to reduce the risk of stroke and heart attack by lowering blood pressure and cholesterol. It prevents and can even reverse hardening of the arteries by making the blood-vessel walls more flexible. If that's not enough to get you moving, exercise has also been shown to reduce your risk for developing diabetes.

Something as simple as a regular half-hour walk can help you live longer and can also help you drop up to 18 pounds in a single year. Weight training is one of the most important forms of exercise. Inactive people begin to lose lean muscle mass and increase fat after age 30. Strength training, however, can help you build lean muscle mass, as well as strengthen bones and muscles.

It's important before beginning any exercise program to first get a complete physical checkup. Your doctor can recommend what type of program is right for you. Choose a type of exercise that will keep you motivated and interested. You should also set a time each day specifically for exercising, and make sure to vary your exercise regime regularly to keep from getting bored.

Dr. Tibor Ketzan of Heritage Valley Health System understands the importance of regular physical activity and the benefits it provides. "Nothing promotes overall good health like regular exercise. Exercise not only helps you maintain your weight and fight off serious conditions like heart disease and diabetes, it also helps you feel strong and energetic on a daily basis." For more information on exercise, visit Heritage Valley Health System's website at www.heritagevalley.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Valentine Party at Fern Hollow

On Saturday, Feb. 12, the staff of Fern Hollow Nature Center will sponsor a Valentine's Day Party from 3-5 p.m.

Activities may include making valentines, decorating cookies, story time with Mother Nature, outside play and refreshments.

For reservations, call Sam Capezzuto at 412-741-6136 or email fhnc@verizon.net

Space is limited. Make reservations by Feb. 9.

Children under five years should bring a "helper."

The cost for members is $5 per family. Non-members pay $10 per family.

For booklovers

Celebrate Valentine's Day weekend at the Sewickley Public Library's Gently Used Book Sale.

Sale hours are Friday, Feb. 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 13, from 1 to 5 p.m. A bag sale will be held.

Open House

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SPOTLIGHT

Program DAREs children to stay off drugs

By Jon Paul Creese
Staff writer

Alcohol abuse is part of many Americans' lives. Drugs are easily accessible on the streets, and children are often the targets of tobacco and alcohol advertisements.

Some learn the abusive behavior in their own homes, even from their own parents. And they are almost certain to be pressured into drug and alcohol use by their peers.

But Sewickley area school children have a defense against those pressures.

Police officers Jim Ersher, Sewickley, and Victor Korol, Leetsdale, have spearheaded the D.A.R.E. program at local schools, informing children of the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse and providing them with proven methods of abstaining.

"Recent studies have shown a decline in drug use on a national level," Ersher said.

"The kids seem to know that using alcohol, tobacco or other drugs are bad for them, but seem more concerned when the specific effects are explained."

Ersher addressed a group of Osborne Elementary fifth graders during a D.A.R.E. graduation.

"We talked about a way to make wise choices, about different ways to be in charge. We said, 'There are a lot of ways to say no.'"

But, Ersher said, "a confident response style is always the best."

D.A.R.E. stands for Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education and is an educational program that was developed by Los Angeles police in the 1970s. D.A.R.E. gained international momentum and is now taught at schools across the country.

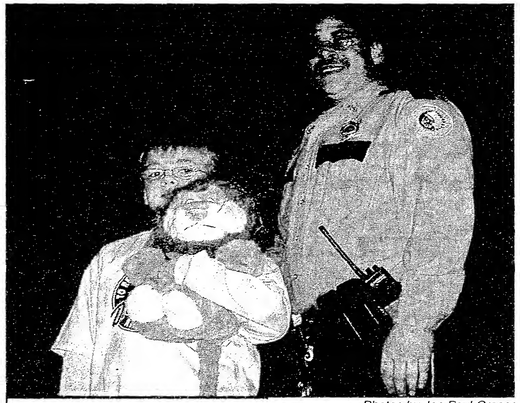
Instructors also employ another definition for the acronym: Define, Assess, Respond and Evaluate, which helps them convey proper reaction techniques to the children.

The acronym enables students to define a problem, assess possible choices and consequences, respond and then evaluate their response.

"All these things will help them when they find themselves in a high risk situation," Ersher said.

And there is more.

Through the program, the officer and students talk about the reasons people use alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. They discuss ways to deal with peer pressure, personal pressure and pressure from the manufacturers to use these products.



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ZACHARY BARBER (above) and Sarah Scalercio (at right) earned Officer Ersher's congratulations and the lion mascot for their DARE essays.

Apparently, it is working.

"I pledge to make wise decisions about tobacco, alcohol and other drugs," read Natalie DiCenzo from an essay that placed in the top three of the class.

"I pledge not to use them no matter what other people try to say or do to make me.

"I also pledge to help my friends make the right choices."

Classmates Zachary Barber and Sarah Scalercio also won top honors for their D.A.R.E. essays.

"It was surprising," Scalercio said of the information she discovered during the course. "I knew drugs and alcohol were bad for you; I just didn't know how bad."

Of course, it helps when the class is taught by experienced officers like Ersher and Korol, who have seen the effects of abuse first-hand and are dedicated to keeping the youth drug-free.

"I personally enjoy the program because it gives me a chance to interact with the kids in a positive way," Ersher said.

"I hope I show them that the police do care about their well-being and are people they can count on as being part of their support network."

The officers may not have realized, but they were being evaluated, too ... and earned passing grades.

Several of the students commented that the course was fun, as well as educational.

"He was very nice," Barber said of Ersher. "He got his job done but still managed to make it fun."

The fifth grade is the core curriculum, Ersher said. It includes 16 lessons, and requires an essay to be completed to graduate.

Kindergarten, first and third grades, middle school and high school students also benefit from the program at differing levels of intensity.

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Ambridge celebrates its centennial

The Ambridge Centennial Ball will be held Saturday, Feb. 12, beginning at 6 p.m. in Franzee's Banquet Hall, 1300 Merchant St., Ambridge.

Tickets are $35 per person with a cash bar.

The committee is encouraging guests to dress in period clothing from the early 1900s or semi-formal dress.

Dancing will be to the music of the Don Jasper Orchestra.

Tickets may be purchased at the Ambridge Borough Building, 600 Eleventh St., or the John S. Dunn Agency, 619 Merchant St.

For more information, call 724-266-2735.

The ticket price includes the Centennial Booklet, which will be presented that evening.

The booklet, a coffee table stylebook, features pictures and history of the community and will be available, in limited supply, throughout the year for $10.

ANNIVERSARY

Ambridge History

The Borough of Ambridge may not have existed without the occurrence of two significant events -- the formation of the American Bridge Co. in 1900 and the dissolution of the Harmony Society in 1905.

As a result, shortly after the turn of the 20th century, a sparsely populated area of land along the Ohio River, known as Economy Township, would be transformed from a quiet, rural, agricultural community into a bustling, industrial town.

American Bridge Co. was the result of a merger among 28 small bridge and structural steel companies in 1900. After its formation, a search soon began for a location where the company could build a large manufacturing complex and have easy access to water and rail transportation. The company also wanted enough land to build housing for its workers and attract the large number of immigrants who were streaming into Pittsburgh.

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American Bridge's goal of more than 4,000 workers and a monthly payroll of $250,000 were achieved shortly after operations began.

■ On March 13, from noon to 5 p.m., Old Economy Village, Laughlin Memorial Library and the Ambridge Municipal Complex will be open, free of charge.

LAST CALL: Tickets will be available at the door at this year's full course turkey dinner to be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 5 p.m. at Sewickley United Methodist Church, corner of Broad and Thorn streets. Adult meals are $10. Children's meals for those 4-10 years are $4. For more information, call the church office (412-741-9430).

AT SWEETWATER

Chef provides cooking tips

Sweetwater is offering two series of cooking classes taught by Child Health Association of Sewickley and Kitty Leatham, chef/owner of The Green Chef Deli.

Child Health Association will offer three classes with a focus on the Three Rivers Cookbooks.

■ Valentine's Day Appetizers and Sweet Treats — Create delicious appetizers and sweets on Monday, Feb. 7, from 6:30 to 9:30.

■ Meals in Minutes — Learn how to put great food on the table in minutes on Monday, March 7, from 6:30 to 9:30.

■ International Fare — Celebrate Pittsburgh's ethnic diversity by cooking food from around the world using recipes from the Three Rivers Cookbook on Monday, April 25, from 6:30-to 9:30.

Kitty Leatham of Green Chef Deli will teach three classes that will use all of the fresh, organic, environmentally sound ingredients that have made her "organic to-go" establishment so popular.

■ Good Carbs vs. Bad Carbs — Find out answers to questions about the South Beach Diet, carbohydrates and whole foods and grains. Kitty will also prepare lentils, barley, quinoa, millet and oats on Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 6:30 to 9:30.

■ Protein Power: Building the Healthiest Body — Learn what foods provide the most protein and learn about the nutritional value of meat. There will be a focus on homemade stocks and soups on Tuesday, Feb. 15, from 6:30 to 9:30.

■ Why Doesn't Fat Make You Fat? — Explore current beliefs about fats and cholesterol on Tuesday, Feb. 22, from 6:30 to 9:30.

Classes are $20 for members, $25 for non-members (Child Health members pay member price for CHA series). Register for all three classes of either series for a 10 percent discount.

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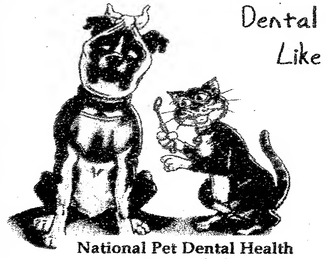

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BOBINCHECK

Leonard and Janet Bobincheck celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a quiet family gathering at their home on Merriman Road, Sewickley.

They were married on Jan. 29, 1955 at St. Mary's Church in Leckrone, Pa.

Mr. Bobincheck was caretaker of a Sewickley Heights estate for more than 30 years.

They are parents to Jeanmarie DePace (Richard) of Sewickley and Denise Sallese (Mark) of Ambridge.

They have seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

BIRTHDAY

SALLESE

Mikayla Suzanne Sallese will celebrate her first birthday in the company of her immediate family on Feb. 11, 2005.

Her parents are Mark and Denise Sallese of Ambridge.

After being born seven weeks early, little Mikayla is in good health.

SHARE YOUR significant days with readers of the Herald. Send photos and information to sewickley.herald@gatewaynewspapers.com

CLUB DATES

One-woman show upcoming

KAREN PRUNZIK set the room in motion at Allegheny County Club during last year's Sewickley Valley Hospital's Club Crawl.

The Woman's Club of Sewickley Valley has set the date for this year's dinner theater presentation.

On Sunday, Feb. 13, Karen Prunzik will present "Broadway and All That Jazz" at the Edgeworth Club.

Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30. Showtime follows.

The cost is $30 per person. No guest fee is required for members of the women's club.

Call 412-741-3030 for reservations by Feb. 8.

Prunzik debuted on Broadway in the Ginger Rogers' role of "Anytime Annie" in the Gower Champion hit, "42nd Street."

A Pittsburgh native, she began dance training when she was three years old.

She has worked with Gene Kelly, Ann Miller, Shirley Jones and Michael Douglas.

Her film credits include "Tap" and "A Chorus Line."

She toured internationally in "One and Only" with Tommy Tune and Sandy Duncan.

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CLUB DATES

Music club hosts youth symphony

Sewickley Music Club will welcome the Pittsburgh Youth Symphony to its Tuesday, Feb. 8 gathering. The members will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Henning House at St. Stephen's Church, Sewickley.

Co-hostesses are Virginia Mary Kania, Mary Annette Liggett, Laura Theis and Dorothy Wedeen.

Dwayne Woodruff

Senior Men's Club

Members of the Senior Men's Club will greet Dwayne Woodruff at their meeting Friday, Feb. 4, at the Sewickley Valley YMCA.

Woodruff, a former Pittsburgh Steelers great and an attorney, will speak about "The Law and the Steelers."

The program begins at 9:30 a.m. with coffee, donuts and conversation.

Woodruff's talk begins at 10.

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Exhibit focuses on pin-hole photography

By Jaime McLeod
Gateway staff writer

Artist Tom Persinger's photographic works combine the old fashioned and the cutting edge to create images that speak to the 21st century drive to rediscover lost art forms.

"Treescape" by Tom Persinger

SWEETWATER

The McCandless resident specializes in pinhole photography, a surprisingly low-tech form of capturing images. All it takes is a light-proof box with a small hole at the front and some film mounted at the back.

The process requires no lens and has infinite depth of field. It is similar to the way the very first cameras worked. The small apertures demand very long exposure times, often up to several minutes.

A selection of his photographs called "Meditation" can be seen at Sweetwater Center for the Arts in Sewickley through Friday, Feb. 11.

"This is a handmade process. It's handmade cameras and sheets of film developed by hand," says Persinger.

The Wexford native developed an interest in photography during childhood. He went to college, studied philosophy and sociology and went on to have a series of corporate jobs in Ohio, Oregon and Wisconsin.

His interest in photography was rekindled a few years back when he was working as an art director for an ad agency in Wisconsin. He grew to dislike the advertising culture that makes people want things they don't need, but found the artistic end fascinating.

He went on to build his own pinhole cameras from wood, and soon began to modify old 1950s AGFA cameras. Up to 80 percent of Persinger's work involves pinhole photography.

Persinger sees his work as a two-part process of production and display. The exposure time is as much a part of his art as the finished product.

"The production is a meditative experience. During that time, I'm fully considering what I'm photographing.

"The long exposures capture the evolution of that scene. Digital photographs capture a fraction of a second. I don't think any of us actually live like that," says Persinger.

"I like the idea that, if I'm photographing a tree, I've captured two minutes of that tree's life."

The finished product also comes out differently than most modern photography. The longer exposure time means there may be some movement of the subject, which creates some blurring.

The works in the Sweetwater exhibition, are nature studies from locations like Chaco Canyon, N.M., a site of archaeological importance; Presque Isle, in Lake Erie; and areas around his former home in Wisconsin and his current home in McCandless.

The pieces in "Meditation" all focus on some aspect of nature, like water to trees. One man-made spectacle — an ancient Pueblo Indian dwelling in Chaco Canyon — also makes it into the mix.

The 19 pieces all range from two-inch squares to three-and-a-quarter inch by four-and-one-half inch rectangles, the same size as the medium-format film Persinger used.

The tiny size of Persinger's works forces viewers to get up close to the pieces.

"I kind of want people to have to get up close to my subjects and engage with them."

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LAURYN WILLIAMS won a silver medal at this year's Olympic Games in Athens.

ARNOLD PALMER and Jack Nicklaus at the 1962 U. S. Open, Oakmont Country Club, which has hosted the most national championships of any course in the U.S. *Photo courtesy of Oakmont Country Club*

Region's sports story has home in sports museum

The Steelers aren't the only hot sports item in Pittsburgh this month. Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is now open, sharing the region's rich sports tradition. Pittsburghers who have taken to reminiscing about the Steelers' glory days can find at the museum, among other things, Franco Harris' immaculate reception shoes.

The first-of-its-kind venue occupies 20,000 square feet on the second and third floors of the Smithsonian Wing of the Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center in Pittsburgh's Strip District. The museum contains more than 300 artifacts, 70 hands-on interactive exhibits and 20 audio-visual programs.

Local museum sponsors include Comcast, FOX Sports Net, KDKA-TV, Lamar Outdoor Advertising and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except major holidays.

Admission is $7.50 for adults, $6 for senior citizens and students with a valid ID, $3 for children ages 6 to 18 and free for children 5 and under. History Center members are admitted free.

BILLY CONN, the "Pittsburgh Kid," during a fight at Madison Square Garden in 1939, the same year he won the World Light Heavyweight Title.

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PICTURE PERFECT

NICOLE NOVOSEL has a winning smile because of a free full set of braces from Remington Orthodontics LLC in Sewickley. The 12-year-old Aliquippa resident won the set at a raffle the office held on Sewickley's Light Up Night in December.

QVMS reading club encourages conversation

By Sarah Mills
Herald contributor

Sometimes great ideas come unexpectedly.

Jillian Bichsel, gifted support teacher at Quaker Valley Middle School, came up with the idea of starting a mother-daughter book club while talking with her students and QVMS intern Beth Hendrickson.

Bichsel and Hendrickson hope to use the book club to discuss books that focus on many of the issues facing girls and women.

"Reading, for anybody, is good," said Bichsel. "When I was younger, I looked to books to explain issues that weren't being talked about or that I didn't know much about."

With that in mind, Bichsel plans on starting a mother-daughter book club for students in grades 6 through 8 and their mothers (or a female friend or relation).

CONNECTIONS

The book club will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

"We're starting small, with four groups made of a few pairs," said Bichsel.

Bichsel cites many New York Times bestsellers, such as "The Da Vinci Code" and "The Secret Life of Bees" as popular among middle-school readers, as well as many series books, fantasy books and books based upon teenage lives. But, she adds, it will be the girls who pick the books read by the group.

"The girls would be the ones running the discussion. Sometimes it's hard for mothers to sit back and let the girls talk — because they're so used to being moms! But the adults just want to facilitate it," said Bichsel.

Bichsel hopes to use the books to discuss concerns facing teenage girls.

"Books address many issues for teenagers. Using the characters in the books, we can discuss these issues without getting too personal," said Bichsel.

Some of these issues might be fitting in, relationships with parents and other students (particularly boys), social issues such as drugs, sex and peer pressure.

The main purpose of the mother-daughter book club, however, would be to "just get kids reading," said Bichsel.

"I think it will be interesting, having mothers and daughters reading the same books. It could help them understand each other. Adolescent years are tough on everybody!"

The group plans to vary the times that it meets - morning, lunch, and evening.

For more information on the mother-daughter book club, contact Jillian Bichsel at 412-749-5061.

PLAUDITS

Grads earn honors

Ashley Russo has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at John Carroll University. A freshman in the College of Arts and Sciences, Russo, a 2004 graduate of Quaker Valley, is the daughter of Anthony and Vicki Russo of Bell Acres.

Sarah Rae Thomas, daughter of Joseph and Deborah Thomas of Sewickley, has been named to the dean's list for the 2004 fall semester at Elon University.

Annalese Henry, an English major and daughter of Robert Duprey of Sewickley, was named "Student Distinguished in Scholarship" on the dean's list at Bethany College for the fall semester.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

QV welcomes guest speakers

Quaker Valley School District will mark Black History Month with a full schedule of educational and cultural activities.

The district-wide schedule of Black History Month activities includes:

■ Feb. 7 – A presentation by Chris Moore, WQED and KDKA producer and host of Black Horizons and OnQ magazine, 9 a.m., at QVMS.

■ Feb. 8 – A performance by Greg Kenny, of Educate Us Productions, portraying historical figures including Rosa Parks, Roberto Clemente, Jackie Robinson and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 8 a.m., at QVHS.

■ Feb. 9 – Nego Gata, "From Africa to Brazil," dances and music of African and Brazilian folk legends and tales, 9 a.m. at Osborne Elementary.

■ Feb. 11 – The Hon. Livingstone Johnson, senior judge, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, 9 a.m., at QVMS.

■ Feb. 14 – Performance by Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Pianist Patricia Pratt Jennings, 9 a.m., at QVHS.

■ Feb. 18 – "The Many Moods of Music" with River City Brass Band trombonist Carl Jackson, 9 a.m., at Edgeworth Elementary.

■ Feb. 22 - Greg Kenny, of Educate Us Productions returns with his portrayal of historical figures, 1 p.m. at QVMS.

■ Feb. 25 – Zora, a one-woman performance by actress Eileen J. Morris relating the life story of African-American author Zora Neale Hurston, 9 a.m., at QVHS.

■ Feb. 25 – Ambridge Area High School Steel Drum Ensemble, 9 a.m., at Osborne; 1 p.m. at Edgeworth.

■ Feb. 28 – Visit by Dr. Edward Barksdale, pediatrician, Pittsburgh Children's Hospital, 9 a.m., at QVHS.

■ Feb. 28 – Presentation by Dr. Donald Sheffield, retired director of the Academic Support Center for Student Athletes at Penn State, 9 a.m., at QVHS.

The SAT test: Writing on the go

By Anna Lee

Student columnist

Anna Lee

Twelve years of public education has culminated in this, the perfect five paragraph essay, complete with introduction, supporting paragraphs and a conclusion.

Students from the elementary school on know the process. Brainstorm an idea, organize it with a web or outline, write, then revise and create a new draft; think, outline, revise has been the refrain.

After years of practice, by high school things become more demanding: introductions, thesis statements and even topic sentences refine the mix. Writing a good paper is a process that takes time and revision, or so I have been taught.

Now, with the addition of a writing section to the SAT, students are expected to write an essay in 25 minutes.

There have been debates for years over the SAT. Its accuracy and potential for gender or ethnicity biases have been discussed. The new version, with some additions and changed sections, is supposed to be the new gauge of student abilities.

Some even claim that it will replace the essay portion of college applications. The writing section purports to test how well students can write.

After years of preparation, you would think we students are ready for anything. There is only one small hitch — only 25 minutes are available.

I just spent weeks formulating my idea for college applications, not to mention the drafts. I don't want a hastily constructed first draft to represent my writing abilities.

The article you are reading right now is not a first draft, or even a second. It is the product of brainstorming, organization, writing and revision.

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■ A pasta dinner fund-raiser will be held for Alina Sterner, a fourth grade student at Edgeworth Elementary, who has been diagnosed with leukemia.

The dinner will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 616 Washington St., Sewickley, Sunday, Feb. 13, from 3-6 p.m.

The ticket donation is $8 for adults, $5 for children and students under eighth grade and for senior citizens or $20 per (immediate) family.

Seating times will be 3, 4 and 5 p.m. Take-out meals also will be available.

Mail checks (with Alina Sterner on the memo line) and request number of dinners and seating time to Denise Morgan, 43 Ferry St., Leetsdale, PA 15056.

Cash donations also will be accepted at Morgan's address.

THE PLAY'S THE THING

SEWICKLEY ACADEMY fifth-grade teacher, Julie Tosh, has written a musical about bullying. "A Better Place," was performed by fifth-graders for the community and for Pre-K through 6th graders during school. The plot highlights one student's journey with bullying. After early unfair treatment by classmates, a student named Cornelia resorts to bullying. She controls the other students with her meanness. Then, one day, her classmates revolt against her unfair treatment, and fate, in the form of her Fairy Godfather, steps in to help her see the error of her ways. Tosh wrote the book and lyrics while Fine Arts Instructors, David Ed, wrote and produced the music, and Kurt Cerny choreographed the production. The musical has received rave reviews from the students during related discussions on bullying in the classroom following the performance. The collaboration was supported by a Sewickley Academy Nichols grant from an endowment honoring the late Sewickley Academy Headmaster Cliff Nichols Jr.

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Thought for the Week

Abraham Lincoln delivered his Gettysburg Address on Abraham Lincoln delivered his Gettysburg Address Nov. 19, 1863. Lesser known is the article below in which he enjoins love of liberty and reverence of the nation's laws:

Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity, swear by the blood of the revolution, to never violate in the least particular, the laws of the country, and never tolerate their violation by others. As the patriots of '76 did to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so to the support of the Constitution and laws let every American pledge his life, his property and his sacred honor. Let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample on the blood of his father, and to the charter of his own and his children's liberty.

Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American moth to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap. Let it be taught in the schools, in seminaries and in college. Let it be written in primers, spelling books and in almanacs. Let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and be enforced in courts of justice; and in short, let it become the political religion of the nation. And let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars.

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IN MEMORY

John J. "Jack" O'Neil, 78, of Sewickley, formerly of Pittsburgh, passed away at his home on Jan. 27, 2005.

He was born Dec. 26, 1926, in Pittsburgh's Homewood neighborhood to the late Edward James and Marcella Loretta (Ranagen) O'Neil.

He attended Catholic schools and graduated from high school in 1944. He joined the U.S. Coast Guard that same year and when the war ended, he was serving as a radio-man 3/c on a radar station on the island of Palawan, Philippines.

Discharged in 1946, Mr. O'Neil enrolled in Duquesne University on the G.I. Bill and received his bachelor of arts degree in journalism in 1951. He met Jeanne Malloy, a fellow student, just before graduation, and they were married on Aug. 9, 1952.

Their only daughter, Laurie, was born in May 1953. Over the next 12 years, six boys followed: Kevin James, Sean Patrick, Mark Thomas, Michael Charles, Patrick Brian and Daniel Xavier.

Mr. O'Neil got his first job after graduation as a production assistant on the television properties of the Wilkens Jewelry Co., where he began a career as a writer-producer of news, music and commercial broadcasts.

In 1978, he made a career change into the health field as publications manager of Presbyterian Hospital.

In 1980, he was appointed public relations director of St. John's Hospital Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Center on Pittsburgh's North Side.

He also doubled as an addictions counselor on both the detox and rehab units, giving many motivational lectures to patients.

After he and Jeanne divorced in 1979, he married Theodora Hanzel in 1983. She had three grown, married children of her own: Susan, Stephen and Kate.

Following a brief stint as a caseworker on drug- and alcohol-related cases for Children and Youth Services of Beaver County, he retired in 1991.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers: Edward O'Neil Jr., Richard and Charles O'Neil; and a sister, Ursula Snyder.

A friend of Bill Wilson's for 32 years, he is survived by his wife, Theo; his seven children, three step-children, 13 grandchildren, one great-grandson, seven step grandchildren and three step great-grandchildren.

He was buried in Sewickley Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to Forbes Hospice, 2139 Broadhead Road., Suite 2A Rear, Aliquippa, PA 15001.

Arrangements were handled by Copeland's Sewickley.

EVENTS

Choir Lite at Presbyterian Church

The Chancel and Youth Choirs of the Presbyterian Church, Sewickley will sponsor "Choir Lite: a third less formal," a concert of secular music from Broadway and popular singing groups on Sunday, Feb. 13, at 3 p.m. in the church.

The entertainment will be performed in the Robinson Room by the church's Chancel and Youth Choirs, soloist Raymond Blackwell, David Cooke, Laura McGarry, Anna Singer and Jeanne Wentworth, ensembles from the Chancel Choir, and guest instrumentalists trumpeter Donald Kortlandt and drummer David Wentworth.

Refreshments will be served immediately following the performance.

Between 1993 and 2003, these groups have sponsored an annual Cabaret for Mission, which raised funds for a non-profit organization or agency in western Pennsylvania.

In 2004, the format was changed to a concert.

This year proceeds from the performance will be used to purchase new robes for the church's Chancel Choir.

Donations will be accepted at the doors. For further information, call the church office at 412-741-4550.

The church is located at the corner of Beaver and Grant streets in Sewickley.

FYI

Support group

The monthly Bereavement Support Group, sponsored by Sewickley Valley Hospital, meets in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Washington and Logan streets, Sewickley.

The group meets every third Thursday of the month, from 7 – 8:30 p.m., and welcomes those who have suffered the loss of a family member or friend.

A bereavement group, which meets for six weeks four times a year, is being considered.

For information, call the Rev. Lee Bittner, Sewickley Valley Hospital chaplain, at 412-749-7054.

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BASKETBALL

Quakers clinch section, prepare for playoffs

By Jon Paul Creese

Sports editor

The Quaker Valley Boys' Basketball Team could be likened to the proverbial flying pig.

Even Head Coach Tom Demko said he would not have forecasted the amount of success the team is enjoying this year.

But now, at 20-1, it's undeniable; the 'pig' has flown.

It might sound a bit harsh to compare the team's success to the old adage of pigs in flight. After all, the Quakers really did not do too badly last year; but who could have guessed the team would pick up their first WPIAL title in 5 years with only one senior starter and faced with obstacles like coaching and roster changes and the inevitable, often overbearing, psychological stigma of perennial losses.

Here's how the proverbial pig went skyward:

The Quakers walked head first into a gold mine with two new recruits this year, juniors Amir Johnson and Ryann Bradford.

The team gained a dynamic early on that the school has not seen in more than 5 years, since QV last captured a section title.

Head Coach Tom Demko was more comfortable with the reins going into his second year with the team.

And like all phenomena, there seems to be something magical lifting the Quakers into their coveted WPIAL slot.

But, perhaps the Quakers biggest boost is that they play with balance.

The offense answers back when the defense allows points.

When the offense isn't getting the baskets, the defense kicks into high gear, like they did Friday night.

The Quakers recorded their fewest points this year, but squeezed out a 54-45 victory against the 13-6 Bishop Canevin Crusaders.

"Our guys played great team defense," Demko said of the seniors' night spectacle.

"There was tough D by both teams," Demko said. "Canevin was real strong, but underneath, we just kept grinding it out ... grinding it out."

Ryann Bradford, junior and Sewickley Herald's Athlete of the Week, is one of the Quakers' leading point scorers. Bishop held him to eight points Friday, but Bradford answered back from underneath with some iron-clad D of his own, outmuscling Canevin's Eberlein brothers who matched Bradford's height, but not his aggressiveness.

"He was really a force underneath," Demko said. "He blocked out a lot of the interior defense.

"He is someone for other teams to worry about," he added.

Senior Rick Canter was also a strong force under the net.

"He did a great job," Demko said of his only senior starter. "He had some good offensive rebounds and picked up 10 points."

And the fans responded.

"It was fantastic," Demko said of the charged atmosphere. "It was a nice crowd for seniors night. In the last 30 seconds, the crowd went to its feet."

Those fans are yet another element helping to forge the QV lift, as they proved Friday.

The night turned even more special as team leader Amir Johnson scored 22 points, helping the Quakers clinch the Section 3 AA title.

"They knew going in we had to win one of those games," Demko said of their final few regular season games. "They were ready to do it last night."

They carried the momentum into Saturday afternoon when they defeated Chartiers-Houston, 73-51.

And, as far as staying in flight, the Quakers have the final ingredient to put into the mix – experience.

Though the team has not entered the playoffs in recent history, Bradford and Johnson played on Sewickley Academy's WPIAL championship team last year.

Demko said their experience will be enough to give the Quakers the edge they need, with breathing room to boot.

"It makes you breathe a little easier against teams like Beaver Falls, Jeannette and Aliquippa.

"If we stick to our game plan, we'll be okay.

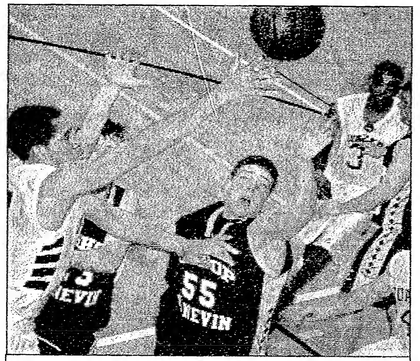
"We want to finish strong," he added, and noted that the Quakers will take on AAAA North Hills in their final regular season game. "It will be a nice test for us."

Demko's philosophy for the remainder of the year is simple: if it isn't broken, don't fix it.

"If we focus on what we do best, rather than try to stop the other team, we'll do fine," he said.

"We're going to continue to do what we've been doing."

So, for anyone who might still think pigs will fly before QV claims another WPIAL championship (the last one came in 1997), take a look up during the playoffs this year, it just might happen.



RYANN BRADFORD bounds above Bishop Canevin's Robert Eberlein, one of two Eberlein brothers Bradford battled all night, for a Quaker rebound. Bradford, Sewickley Herald's Athlete of the Week scored a career-high 32 points during a 75-60 win last week against Brentwood.

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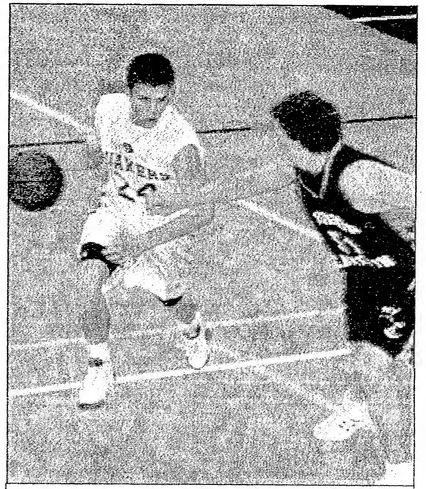

RYAN COURNEEN, junior guard, looks for space against Bishop Canevin Friday night at Quaker Valley. The 20-1 Quakers clinched the Section 3 AA title for the first time in five years with a 54-45 victory, making Senior's Night one to remember.

"They knew going in we had to win one of those games. They were ready to do it last night."

– Tom Demko, head coach

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BASKETBALL

Panthers emerge with number two slot

By Jon Paul Creese
Sports editor

There is one major difference between Win Palmer and the majority of his Panthers this year.

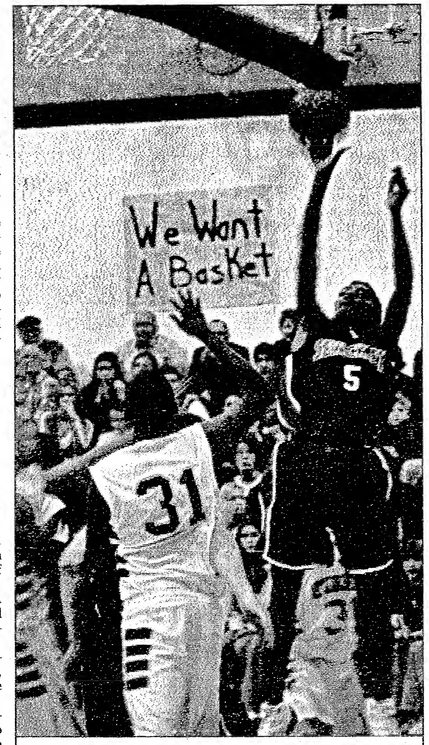
The veteran head coach has been there, done that.

That is not to say the 7-3, 9-10 Panthers, who lost more than half of their key players this year but still managed one of the toughest schedules in Class A, are unprepared.

On the contrary, the Panthers have proven their ability to adapt and succeed since their first exhibition game.

They emerged confidently from a second roster shake up midway through the season, picking up a string of victories and capturing a playoff berth and second-place section ranking.

"It's been an incredible year. I would challenge any team in this section to play our schedule."
– Win Palmer, head coach



DEREK PERKINS goes up for two. Perkins and other young Panthers are battling to keep the WPIAL champs on top this season. *Archive photo*

"It's been an incredible year. I would challenge any team in this section to play as tough of a schedule," Palmer said.

The Panthers took on quad A Baldwin this season and faced stiff competition during a tournament in Washington, D.C.

"We have challenged ourselves mentally," Palmer said, and added that they are stronger for having done so.

The reigning WPIAL champions are utilizing their two return starters, senior George Raftis and junior Matt Palmer, and have had great success with that duo.

Raftis has had 14 double doubles in 20 games.

Palmer, the Panthers leading point scorer from the outside, has provided the Panthers with much-needed momentum at key moments.

Luke Brocks, junior, has stepped up his game also.

"He's been averaging double figures all year," Palmer said. "That's made a big difference for us.

And there are other surprises coming through who Palmer did not expect to rely on for the majority of the season.

Chris Dean, one of only four Panthers who saw playing time on the championship team last year, recently moved into the three-man spot.

"He is a physical strength, scoring form the outside," Palmer said. "It makes us much bigger and gives us greater flexibility.

"Dean is critical for us in that position," he added.

And though the Panthers hardly afford to rest easy, a comparably lighter yoke awaits them.

"They are playing with confidence," Palmer said.

"I don't think we'll see anyone in the playoffs that is tougher than some of the teams we've already played."

The Panthers travel to Quigley for a final section match Friday night at 7:30.

Bradford goes the extra mile for 20-1 Quaker Valley

By Jon Paul Creese
Sports editor

The Quaker Valley Boys' Basketball Team struck gold this year ... twice.

The first time was when leading point scorer Amir Johnson transferred to the school.

Teammate Ryann Bradford followed and, if talent was money, the 20-1 Quakers wasted no time taking that check to the bank.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

The Quakers cashed in big time this week as Bradford, Sewickley Herald's Athlete of the Week, scored a career-high 32 points against Brentwood, leading the Quakers to a 75-60 victory before dismantling Bishop Canevin's Eberlein brothers under the net Friday and helping the Quakers win a 54-45 victory and the Section 3 AA title.

"I had no idea I was even close to that," Bradford said of his 32 point-game. "I just try to play the game ... try to win."

Ryann Bradford

- School: Quaker Valley
- Class: Junior
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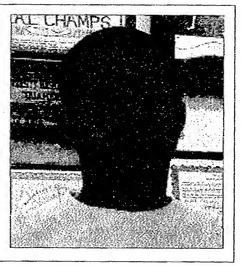
- Accomplishment: Bradford had a career-high 32 points in a Quaker Valley 75-60 victory over Brentwood. He added eight points against Bishop Canevin and 22 against Chartiers-Houston. Bradford arose victoriously from under the net Friday when he strengthened the Quaker defense against BC's Eberlein brothers, holding the Crusaders to 45 points.



And that's how Quaker Valley is pushing the envelope this year and will continue to do so with Bradford's assistance.

"In the playoffs, it's not going to be like 10 to 15 point games," said Bradford, who played on last year's championship Sewickley Academy team. "We'll need to stay together and play as a unit."

Quaker head coach Tom Demko said the key to QV success is to keep doing what they are doing.

That means he will be counting on Bradford to make some big plays.

"He is someone for other teams to worry about," Demko said. "He is a very versatile player. He is probably the fastest player on the team.

"The last couple weeks he really stepped it up," Demko said. "He's getting a lot of offensive rebounds and a lot of points from below."

Demko said Bradford is particularly dangerous when he and Johnson are clicking, which is often.

"Obviously he's good down below, especially when he's running the ball with Amir," Demko said. "Their confidence really picks up the other guys.

"Their goals for us and their belief in us as a team makes them great leaders."

Bradford, who played football in his younger days, has only been playing basketball since the seventh grade.

He said he enjoys playing for the Quakers and is anxious to win some playoff games.

"There are some good teams out there," he said. "It will be hard, but we have a good chance."

Bradford, who currently averages a 3.5, hopes his grades will earn him a scholarship to a good basketball school where he would also like to continue studying history.

If the way the talented 6'5" junior guard plays basketball is any indication, he just might have another ticket to ride.

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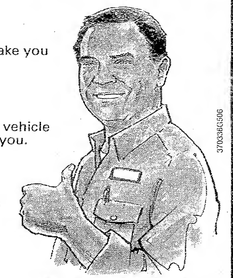

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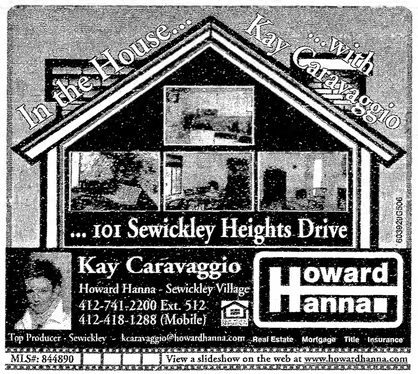

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Betty Moraca is a sales associate for **Howard Hanna Real Estate Services**, *401 Broad Street, Sewickley. For answers to your questions about real estate, call Betty at 741-2200 Ext. 222. The Dozen's National Sales Award, Relocation Specialist, Member Pennsylvania Association of Realtors, Realtors Association of Pittsburgh, West Penn Multi-List.*

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$264,900 Phil Arrigo

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CAREER

Megan Laughlin joins Hanna team

Megan Laughlin has joined Howard Hanna Real Estate Services as a sales associate in the Sewickley office.

Laughlin worked with Hanna's central office for one year.

Her other work includes experience as a mental health professional, a certified therapeutic crisis intervention instructor for individual and family therapy.

She earned a bachelor of arts in psychology from Millersville University and received her therapeutic crisis intervention certification from Cornell University.

Laughlin is the director of staff education and training at the Bradley Center. She also is involved with the Sewickley Valley YMCA and the Fellowship of Christian Real Estate Professionals.

She and her husband, Eric, are expecting their first child. They live in Beaver County.

She can be reached in the Howard Hanna Sewickley office, at 412-471-2200.

HOME OF THE WEEK

Country life is yours inside Carriage House

This property at 44 Linden Court, Sewickley, features French Provincial styling and Southwest Adobe-theme antique doors, hardware and chandelier.

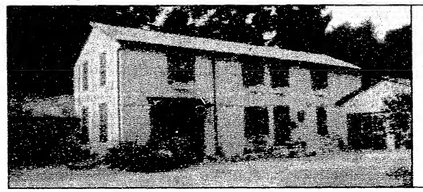
This totally renovated carriage house has three bedrooms, two and one-half baths and a two-car garage that converts conveniently to a party setting.

The living room, which formerly housed the horse carts, now has a built-in entertainment center, ceramic tile floor, a fireplace with ceramic hearth and beamed ceiling.

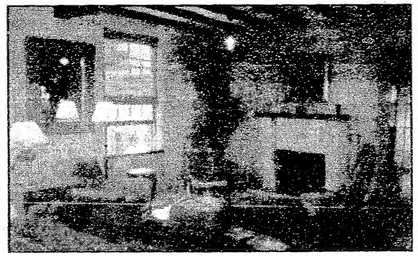
The dining room opens to the back patio, with its own functional fireplace, and connects to the kitchen with its custom cabinetry, slate counter tops and top-notch appliances and hardware.

The patio roof is covered in copper roofing, along with the guest house, the main and garage roofs.

The master bedroom suite has dramatic views via a balcony. A functional fireplace has a wooden mantel and an elevated hearth.



THERE'S GREAT space to explore and sophisticated updates to enjoy in this totally renovated carriage house in Sewickley.



Hand-carved teak covers the doors of the guest house, which can be used as a rental unit. Its entrance is trimmed in old picture framed sandstone. There is radiant floor heating throughout.

This home is being offered at $695,000 by Carroll Ferguson of Howard Hanna Real Estate Sewickley.

She can be reached at 412-741-2200 or 412-741-3061.

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Northwood hosts career breakfast Saturday

Northwood Realty Services will hold a Career Breakfast Seminar Saturday, Feb. 4, from 10 to 11 a.m. at select company office locations.

The bimonthly events offer those looking at entering the profession an opportunity to learn what's involved, how to get started and what it takes to succeed.

Participants are treated to a complimentary continental breakfast while listening to experienced Northwood managers talk about career possibilities, the work and earning potential.

The one-hour sessions are free and open to the public, but reservations are required.

To book a seat, and for more information about the seminar office location nearest you, call toll-free: 800-837-3906.

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If you're in the market to buy, sell or rent, Sewickley's realtors can be reached at the following numbers: **Coldwell Banker 412-741-2550; Corporate office, 412-366-1600. Howard Hanna 412-741-2200; Keller-Williams Realty 412-741-7464; Northwood 412-741-0111; Prudential 412-741-6312.**

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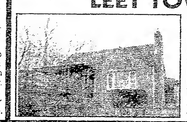
BELL ACRES — NEW LISTING

This handsome Boston Harbor Colonial is situated on a beautiful 1+ acre lot covered with mature trees and is well landscaped. Features of this fine home include a gorgeous custom kitchen with granite counter tops and spacious rooms with generous storage and built-ins. There is also a fabulous game room with gas log fireplace and custom book shelves. The exterior offers a new "designer" deck as well as a new roof. Two car integral garage and much more. $448,000

ALEPPO TOWNSHIP

Located in "The Ridge", this home is in perfect condition and is ready to move-in. Enjoy the serene views from the deck or patio. Open floor plan provides ample natural light. The gourmet kitchen opens to the spacious great room. The master suite plus two addition bedrooms and a half bath and laundry area complete the second floor. The lower level features a finished family room/office and exits to the patio and 2 car garage. $315,000.

LEET TOWNSHIP



Spacious brick Cape Cod situated on a large lot with woods is located minutes from the Village. This home offers a comfortable living room with a fireplace, 2 bedrooms on the main level and 2 additional bedrooms on the second level. There are 1.5 baths. Integral garage. Beautiful, peaceful setting with lots of room to expand. $150,000

LEET TOWNSHIP

Located in "Quaker Heights" is this outstanding 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath home. Other features include a spacious living room, formal dining room, eat-in kitchen and family room with fireplace. The exterior offers a new deck as well as a new wall with pillars creating an inviting entrance to the driveway. Call for an appointment. $279,000.

EDGEWORTH

This lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick Colonial is located the heart of Edgeworth. Features of this home include a large living room with a log burning fireplace, a formal dining room, den and a well-equipped eat-in kitchen. There is also a first floor laundry room and a bath. The screened porch overlooks the flat, fenced yard. There is also a 2 car detached garage. $249,900

SEWICKLEY

This newly constructed custom designed home offers 4 spacious bedrooms including a 2 room master suite with a large walk-in closet on the main level. The first floor also features a large living room with a fireplace, formal dining room, large, well equipped kitchen, laundry area and a family room. There is also a game room on the lower level and a 3 car garage. Large lot and much more. $725,000.

SEWICKLEY

This wonderful Village home offers 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths plus a second floor laundry. There is also a spacious living room, formal dining room and a well equipped eat-in kitchen. In addition, there is a lower level game room and den. Level fenced yard. Full length covered front porch. Very convenient location close to shops and busline. $329,900.

BELL ACRES — NEW CONSTRUCTION

Outstanding new construction ready to move-in. This well designed 4-5 bedroom home features the finest amenities. There is a large, open kitchen with an eating area and adjoining family room with fireplace. A wall of windows and doors lead to the deck and rear yard. Lots of remarkable finish work in this home. $620,000.

SEWICKLEY

This outstanding Arts and Crafts style home has been beautifully renovated to 21st century standards. Features of this fine home include a handsome living room, formal dining room and a fabulous kitchen which opens to the spacious family room. There are 3 bedrooms and 4 full baths plus 2 half baths. The first floor laundry area adds convenience. In addition, there is a wonderful wrap around porch and a 2 car detached garage. All of this situated on a large, level lot in the heart of the Village. $999,000.

SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS

This spacious and appealing Colonial is situated on 5 beautiful acres in the heart of the Heights. Features include 4 large bedrooms, 3.5 baths, an inviting living room, formal dining room and a well equipped eat-in kitchen. There is also a first floor den and a lower level game room. Great covered porch and patio. 2 car attached garage. Excellent opportunity. $795,000.

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ALEPPO TOWNSHIP

This stunning townhome has been completely renovated including a new kitchen with granite counters, new baths and beautiful hardwood flooring. There is a first floor master suite with a walk-in closet. The family room which is adjacent to the kitchen features a cathedral ceiling and opens to a private patio. The second floor includes two additional bedrooms and baths plus a loft area. There is a game room on the lower level with a fireplace and loads of storage. 2 car garage. $309,500.

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SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS — NEW PRICE

Located on 7.65 acres of beautiful countryside, this splendid brick residence offers vistas from every window and lots of natural light. The first floor master suite is a dream as is the large kitchen with plenty of storage space, a center island, breakfast bar and adjacent screened porch. An efficient floor plan combined with handsome detailing make this house a very attractive purchase. Only minutes from the Village and shops, the peaceful setting includes a golf course view, mature trees, a patio and pond $869,500.

LEET TOWNSHIP

Impeccable Custom-built 2 story Colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, and 1st floor family room with dual fireplace. Center-hall plan with spacious rooms throughout. New kitchen, windows and roof; and beautiful HW floors. Attractively landscaped property with table-top fenced rear yard. Large deck and MUCH MORE! Asking $315,000 Virtual Tour # 510948 Call Mary Scott 412-741-6312 ext 209

THAWMONT

Handsome home on beautiful setting in Sewickley Heights. Close to Village. Large spacious rooms, lots of light. Fantastic family room with vaulted ceiling. Eat-In-Kitchen. Finished lower level, private library/office. $1,900,000.

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investment property within walking distance to Village. Unique property with two houses on one property, front house has three apartments and back house with a beautiful carriage house with fireplace. For appointment call: Judie Vesci 412-741-6312 x 215 Price: $308,000.

BELL ACRES BORO

3 year old Brick Colonial in perfect condition. Large living room, well equipped kitchen, with adjacent breakfast room. Large family room with fireplace. Cozy den, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms. Great Neighborhood! $425,000.

Opportunity of Life Time! This elegantly finished estate property is close to the Village but in a remarkably secluded setting. Five bedrooms and 3 baths on second floor with a separate guest suite on main floor. Call for appointment. $860,000.

Finest in Village Living Convenience and Elegance are the watchwords of this fine property. 4-5 bedrooms depending on use. State of the art renovation with finest in bathroom and kitchen finishes and detailing. Must see to believe. $699,000.

EDGEWORTH

Stately and well maintained 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath, brick house with a 2 car detached garage. Large level lot, with back patio and play area for children or pets. New furnace and air cond., updated kitchen and baths. Price: $785,000. Call Judie Vescio for appointment. 412-741-6312 X215

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Who's buying, who's selling

MARKET WATCH

Aleppo

William Downey et al. sold property at 152 Ferry Road to Roy Dye Jr. and Jacquelyn Dye for $109,000.

AMC Real Estate Services Inc. sold property at 400 Rockledge Drive to Stephen and Linda Olson for $287,500.

Roxann Lewis Murray sold property at 207 Trailside Drive to Frank and Carol Ciaio for $162,000.

Bell Acres

Walter Gregg Jr. sold property at Campmeeting Road to Fagan Investments L.P. for $1,200,000 and property at 1551 Campmeeting Road to Paul and D Mai Lan Fagan for $1,200,000.

Edgeworth

Diane Brudenell sold property at 417 Maple Lane to Darla Shertzer and Wesley Smith for $410,000.

Buncher Co. sold property at Ohio River Blvd. to Edgeworth Borough for $165,000.

Glenfield

George Hageman Jr. sold property at 265 Dawson Ave. to Connie and Kevin Klauck for $96,000.

Sewickley

Estate of Allan Dean sold property at 306 Farren St. to Allen Lane Dean II for $7,500.

Thomas Harden sold property at 405 Peebles St. to SIRVA Relocation LLC for $644,000.

SIRVA Relocation LLC sold property at 405 Peebles St. to James and Amy D'Antonio for $598,800.

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Karl Owens 412-741-2200 $58,900

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Enjoy the best of carefree living, convenient to every Sewickley village amenity. Spacious, one bedroom, co-op with beautiful updates. Newer appliances and bathroom. Convenient patio to enjoy the outdoors. Monthly maintenance fee includes taxes, water, gas, cable service and trash. Parking space in the garage. Call today for all the details.

Linda X. Benson 412-741-2200 $109,000

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Megan Moore 412-741-2200 $139,900

EDGEWORTH CONVENIENCE

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Comfortable living in the center of Edgeworth, this three bedroom, 1.5 bath-room Colonial is nestled away on a quiet drive. Living room, dining room, kitchen and family room on the first floor. Versatile floor plan with the possibility of a fourth bedroom on the main level. Very well maintained with a new roof, windows, and furnace. Immediate access to all the Village amenities and activities. Convenience, location and great condition combined. A great value.

Mary O'Neil 412-741-2200 $142,000

BELL ACRES RANCH

Tucked away on over an acre of land, this brick ranch offers the best in one-level living. Large great room with a fireplace, equipped, modern gallery kitchen and a large family room takes in the natural surroundings. Two bedroom and 1.5 bathrooms. Attached garage. A wonderful mature setting that can't be beat. Call today!

Linda Taylor 412-741-2200 $195,000

LARK INN FIELDS

NEW PRICE

Meticulously maintained brick and frame raised ranch nestled on a secluded wooded lot in Lark Inn Fields. Great floor plan with spacious living room and dining room, newer kitchen, office/den and family room. Wonderful screened porch, perfect for entertaining and adjacent to the in-ground pool. Three bedrooms loaded with storage and two baths. All of this within minutes of all the Village amenities. Call today.

Kathe Barge 412-741-2200 $269,000

SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS COLONIAL

NEW PRICE

57 Canter Drive - Beautifully maintained and updated brick Colonial. Formal living room and dining room. Family room with brick fireplace and doors to the terrace. New kitchen with white cabinets and granite countertops and breakfast area with frayed ceilings and indirect lighting. Powder room. Four bedrooms and two updated bathrooms on the second floor. Experience the convenience of living in Sewickley Hills.

Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 $315,000

IDEAL COLONIAL

NEW LISTING

Towering two-story entry greets you in this beautiful, five year old brick colonial. Formal living room and dining room with equipped kitchen adjacent to the family room a with built-ins and a fireplace. New main level vaulted ceiling den/office. Four bedrooms on the second level including a luxurious master suite with double closets, built-ins and spa-like bathroom. Finished lower level and rear deck. Spacious double lot with space for gardening and relaxation. Minutes to the Village.

Kathe Barge 412-741-2200 $385,000

NEW HOME AT QUAKER HEIGHTS

NEW PRICE

Finished in the fall of 2004, this magnificent brick colonial combines tradition with today's amenities. Two-story entry leading to the spacious formal living room and formal dining room. Gourmet kitchen with granite countertops and a windowed, vaulted breakfast room all adjacent to the grand family room with a fireplace. Private main level master suite with a sitting room and a spa-quality bathroom. Hardwood floors, neutral wall-to-wall carpet and ceramic tile. Two car attached garage. A gracious home, convenient to Village amenities.

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Outstanding two-story estate, the finest in contemporary design. Towering gallery entry paralleling the expansive living room and dining room joined by an open stone fireplace. Equipped kitchen with adjoining breakfast room. Open, glassed family room with entertainers wet bar and spiral stairway to the game room. Open stair to the second level and the balcony hallway to the bedrooms. Five bedrooms and 5.5 bathrooms including a guest suite. Three car garage and 9+ acres. Secluded site in a wonderful setting.

Betty Moraca 412-741-2200 $1,150,000

EDGEWORTH LANDMARK

Premier estate on 1.7 acres in the heart of Edgeworth. Circa 1916, this Alden and Harlow masterpiece has been restored to its original grandeur, with magnificent amenities added for today's lifestyles. Mahogany panelled entry and open stair flanked by a finely detailed drawing room with French doors leading to the restored covered porch, an observatory of the grounds; and a grand period dining room adjacent to the panelled, sun filled library study. Professional granite kitchen with AGA range and banquet pantry, adjacent to the new, two-story Family Room with fireplace, and glassed Loggia to the pool terrace and exercise room. A resort quality master suite with spa-like double bathrooms, third story workstudy stations, family room, and built-in bookcases. Six bedrooms and five baths.

Betsy Lyons 412-741-2200 $2,950,000

Travel to legendary places

AT THE LIBRARY

From Sept. 21 through Oct. 14, 2004, Janet and Greg Smith traveled with National Geographic on the Legendary Places program.

They will share their stories and a video presentation on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m at Sewickley Public Library.

From the architectural treasures of Machu Picchu and Cambodia's Angkor Wat to the mysteries of Easter Island and the magical beauty of Ayers Rock, the Smiths experienced worlds that transcend time.

The journey encompasses the Huli Wigmen of Papua New Guinea, the priests of Lalibela's ancient churches, the nomadic Tuaregs of Timbuktu, and the strong-willed, gentle people of Bhutan.

Make reservations by calling 412-741-6920.

SeniorNet Computer Club

Norm Mast of SeniorNet is available for computer-related help on the first Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. until noon.

Adults over 50 years of age are invited to join him in the small computer room on the first floor for a hands-on discussion of computer issues.

Bring your questions!

HEALTH

Watson offers special seminar

The Watson Institute will offer "Therapy For Adolescents With Asperger's Disorder and High-Functioning Autism: A Workshop for Mental Health Professionals" on Wednesday, March 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The conference will be held at the Watson Institute's Sewickley Campus, Camp Meeting Road and is sponsored by the Child and Adolescent Service Systems Programs (CASSP).

The conference will examine the rationale for specialized therapy for adolescents with Asperger's Disorder or high-functioning autism.

Topics to be discussed include the use of social skills training, emotional regulation and group and individual therapies that are useful to patients during the teenage years.

The future of adolescent therapy will also be presented.

Speakers are Joseph R. McAllister Jr., Ph.D., director of psychological services for the Watson Institute; Lisa Baker LCSW and Michael Greisler, M.Ed., both curricula implementers for the Watson Institute.

The cost for this conference is $85 per attendee. Lunch will be provided. Continuing education credits are available.

For more information, call 412-749-2880 or visit www.thewatsoninstitute.org.

Classes set for Ohio Valley

Specialty classess begin this week at Ohio Valley General Hospital.

Weight Watchers - Mondays, Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 6 p.m. in the Roseta Conference Center, W. Laird Davis Building.

No registration is necessary. For more information, call 1-800-651-6000.

Pre-natal Class – Saturday, Feb. 5, at 9 a.m. in the hospital's board room. This is a one-time class for expectant parents on the signs of labor, anesthesia and fetal monitoring.

For those in seventh or eighth month of pregnancy. For more information, call 412-777-6272.

Infant Care Class - Saturday, Feb. 5, at 10:30 a.m. in the hospital's obstetrics board room. This class will provide information for those in the seventh month of pregnancy about caring for a baby through proper feeding, bathing and handling.

Call 412-777-6272 to register.

Breastfeeding Class - Saturday, Feb. 5, at 12:45 p.m. in the hospital's board room. This is a one-time class for expectant mothers on breastfeeding techniques and the advantages of breastfeeding.

Call 412-777-6272 to register.

Sibling Class – Saturday, Feb. 5, at 3 p.m. in the hospital's obstetrics suite on the third floor. This class helps to prepare youngsters to welcome their new brother or sister into the family.

Call 412-777-6272 to register.

Diabetes Group Class - A four-part series that educates individuals to improve diabetes self management. The series begins tomorrow (Thursday) at 6 p.m., and will be held in the hospital's first floor conference room.

Topics to be included are nutrition, exercise, stress, medication, self blood glucose monitoring, prevention, detection and treatment of high and low blood sugar and long-term complications.

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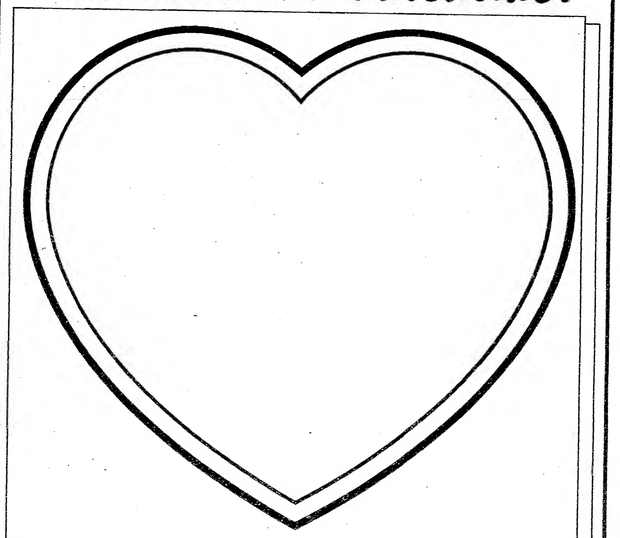

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Accessories Steer Car Buyers

HOW TO MANAGE YOUR CAR

If you're like many consumers, your next auto purchase will be driven by what you plan to do to your vehicle-not just what you plan to do with it.

Whether it's a drop-down DVD player, new wheels or upgrading to a more powerful engine, experts say consumers tend to base their purchases on the accessories a vehicle can be outfitted with and how easy the vehicle is to personalize. Today's hot accessories include performance parts, wheels, mobile electronics, suspension components and exterior styling products-and the hottest cars and trucks are built with those accessories in mind.

So which new vehicles are easiest to accessorize? The "Best Truck Design," "Best SUV Design" and "Best All-New or Redesigned Vehicle" were recently voted on by designers, marketers and members in the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA). According to SEMA, any car can be accessorized, but here's a look at some of the easiest to add to:

- **Best All-New or Redesigned Vehicle: The Mustang has long been a favorite among the accessorizing set, and the 2005 Ford Mustang won this division, hands down. The new model is fixed with a straight axle, which gives it the potential for more horsepower. "The new Mustang was born to be modified," said Austin Craig, of Steeda-a Mustang parts manufacturer. "It's easy to modify, whether you're a professional or a do-it-yourselfer. When you have a great platform to work from, like the Mustang, it's easy to improve on it."**
- **Best SUV: The 2005 Chevrolet Tahoe rods off with top honors. "There are just so many things out there for the Chevy Tahoe," said Rich Brown, SEMA member voter and Engineer, American Racing Equipment. "You can get a variety of products-everything from wheels, tires and grilles to running boards and lift kits. A customer can really customize the Tahoe to fit their individual taste."**
- **Best Truck: The new Ford F-150 has received more than 30 awards since its introduction in 2004, including this one from SEMA. "It's obvious that a lot of thought was given during the general design of the vehicle to the potential to install certain types of accessories," said Chris Shomacher, product design manager at Lund International. "I think a lot of thought was put into the vehicle in terms of the ability to mount things like running boards using existing factory holes. One of the big drivers for us is ease of installation."**

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Public Notice
North Fayette Township

The Zoning Hearing Board of North Fayette Township will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Meeting Room, 400 North Branch Road, Oakdale, PA 15071 to hear the following application:

North Fayette Township is requesting the following variances to Zoning Ordinance #360 for property located off of Donaldson Road with the Tax ID # 9929-X-87740 and 9929-X-87872:

1. Article II - District Regulation, Section 205.2.C Screening, Vegetation within Bufferyards which states; All trees required to be planted within the bufferyard shall be a minimum of two and one-half (2.5) inches in diameter at breast height (dbh) in accordance with American Nursery Association standards and shall be planted in accordance with accepted landscape conservation practices. All required trees shall be a minimum of six (6) feet in height at the time of planting as measured from the ground adjacent to the planted tree to the top of the tree. The applicant is requesting to size the vegetation in the bufferyard as shown on the plans.
2. Article II - District Regulation, Section 205.3.A(4) Specific Bufferyard Requirements, Bufferyard A which states: In addition to the above noted required tree spacing, a row of lower level evergreen shrubs or hedges shall be planted or earth mounding shall be constructed in the bufferyard which shall provide a year-round visual screen capable of acting as a barrier to light beams emanating from the headlights of vehicles. These lower level shrubs, hedges or mounds shall be a minimum of four (4) feet in height. The length of an individual mound shall not be greater than thirty percent (30%) of the lot line to which the mound is adjacent. A variety of heights within and between mounds are recommended. The applicant is requesting to alter the provision of a 4' high berm or a row of hedge plantings (5' on center) in the bufferyard as shown on the plan.

James Morosetti
Zoning Hearing Board, Chairman

(985 1-26, 2-2-05, 2T)

LEGAL NOTICE
BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY
ORDINANCE NOTICE

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY WILL CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11, PART 1, OF THE SEWICKLEY BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR AT A PUBLIC MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 601 THORN STREET, SEWICKLEY, PENNSYLVANIA, SEWICKLEY BOROUGH, ON FEBRUARY 15, 2005, AT 7:30 P.M.

The title and summary of the proposed ordinance are as follows

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING CHAPTER 11, PART 1, OF THE SEWICKLEY BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR.

SUMMARY

The proposed ordinance will establish the compensation of the Real Estate Tax Collector.

A copy of the proposed ordinance may be examined in the office of the Borough Secretary, during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Kevin M. Flannery
Borough Manager/Secretary

(021 2-2, 2-9-05, 2T)

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Deep Valley Coal and Disposal, Inc., 7111 Steubenville Pike, Oakdale, PA 15071, has submitted an application to the Department of Environmental Resources, Bureau of Mining and Reclamation, for the purpose of renewing its existing Surface Mine permit and the related NPDES permit.

The current permit (No. 02743004R) was issued on 3/25/85 and will expire on 3/25/2005. (This Renewal) does not contain revisions to the existing operation.)

The operation is located in Allegheny County, North Fayette Township, and is situated on Steubenville Pike behind Parkway West Technical School on the Deep Valley Properties. The discharge from the permitted area enters the Robinson Run watershed and the site of the Operation is located on the Pinkerton Run 7-1/2" topographic map 10.5 inches north and 7 inches west of the bottom right hand corner of the printed area of the map.

A copy of the renewal application is available for public viewing and copying for a fee at the Greensburg District Office, R.D. #2, Box 603-C, Greensburg, Pa. 15061-9802. Written comments, objections, or a request for an informal conference concerning this renewal application should be submitted to the District Mining Manager at the above address no later than thirty (30) days following the final publication date of this notice on February 9, 2005.

(951 1-19, 1-26, 2-2, 2-9-05, 4T)

LEGAL NOTICE
REQUEST FOR BIDS
POLICE CAR PURCHASE
THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS

Sealed bids must be received at the Office of the Borough Manager of the Borough of Sewickley Heights, Borough Hall, Country Club Road, Sewickley, PA. 15143-9402, on or before 1:30 p.m. prevailing time on Monday, February 21, 2005 for the purchase of one new 2005 American-built four-door vehicle, for police use, as per the specifications. The bid shall make an allowance on a trade-in for one used 2000 Ford Explorer, which may be inspected at the Borough Hall. This vehicle was used as a police vehicle and will be sold in "as-is" condition. Bids will be opened and read at 4:30 p.m. at the scheduled Borough Council Meeting on February 21, 2005.

The appropriate instructions to bidders, specifications and appropriate bid form can be obtained from the office of the Borough Manager by calling 412-741-5119 extension 3.

The Borough of Sewickley Heights reserves the right to accept or reject any bids or to waive any informality in any bid and choose the type of equipment, which best meets the needs of the Borough.

THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS
By: William P. Rohe
Borough Manager

(956 1-26, 2-2-05, 2T)

LEGAL NOTICE
BOROUGH OF EDGEWORTH
Allegheny County, Pennsylvania

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Borough Council of the Borough of Edgeworth at its regular monthly meeting on February 15, 2005 at 8:00 P.M., at the Borough Building, 301 Beaver Road, Edgeworth, PA 15143, intends to adopt an ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending and Restating the Canvassing and Soliciting Ordinance. The Ordinance sets forth certain restrictions on the practice of going door to door in the Borough, including permitted hours and registration requirements. The full text of the Ordinance may be examined by any person prior to its adoption at the Borough Building during regular business hours at no charge, and copies are available at the cost thereof.

BOROUGH OF EDGEWORTH
Martin C. McDaniel, Manager

(010 2-2-05, 1T)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH FAYETTE

A public hearing to be conducted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of North Fayette will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building of North Fayette Township located at 400 North Branch Road, Oakdale, PA 15071 for purposes of considering the request for a Conditional Use by Rite-Aid to permit a Retail Store (5,000-20,000 SF) under section 702.45 and to permit a Pole Sign under Section 702.40 in a B-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning. The property is located at the intersection of West Allegheny Road and Steubenville Pike.

Robert T. Grimm
Township Manager

(001 2-2-05, 1T)

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(012 2-2, 2-9-05, 2T)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Aleppo, Sewickley and Osborne Joint Municipal Planning Committee will hold a public meeting on February 4, 2005, at 4:00 p.m., in the Borough of Sewickley Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Sewickley Municipal Building, 601 Thorn Street, Sewickley. The purpose of the meeting will be to select a consultant for the Joint Municipal Planning Project. The public is invited.

Barbara Carrier
Chairperson

(020 2-2-05, 1T)

LEGAL NOTICE

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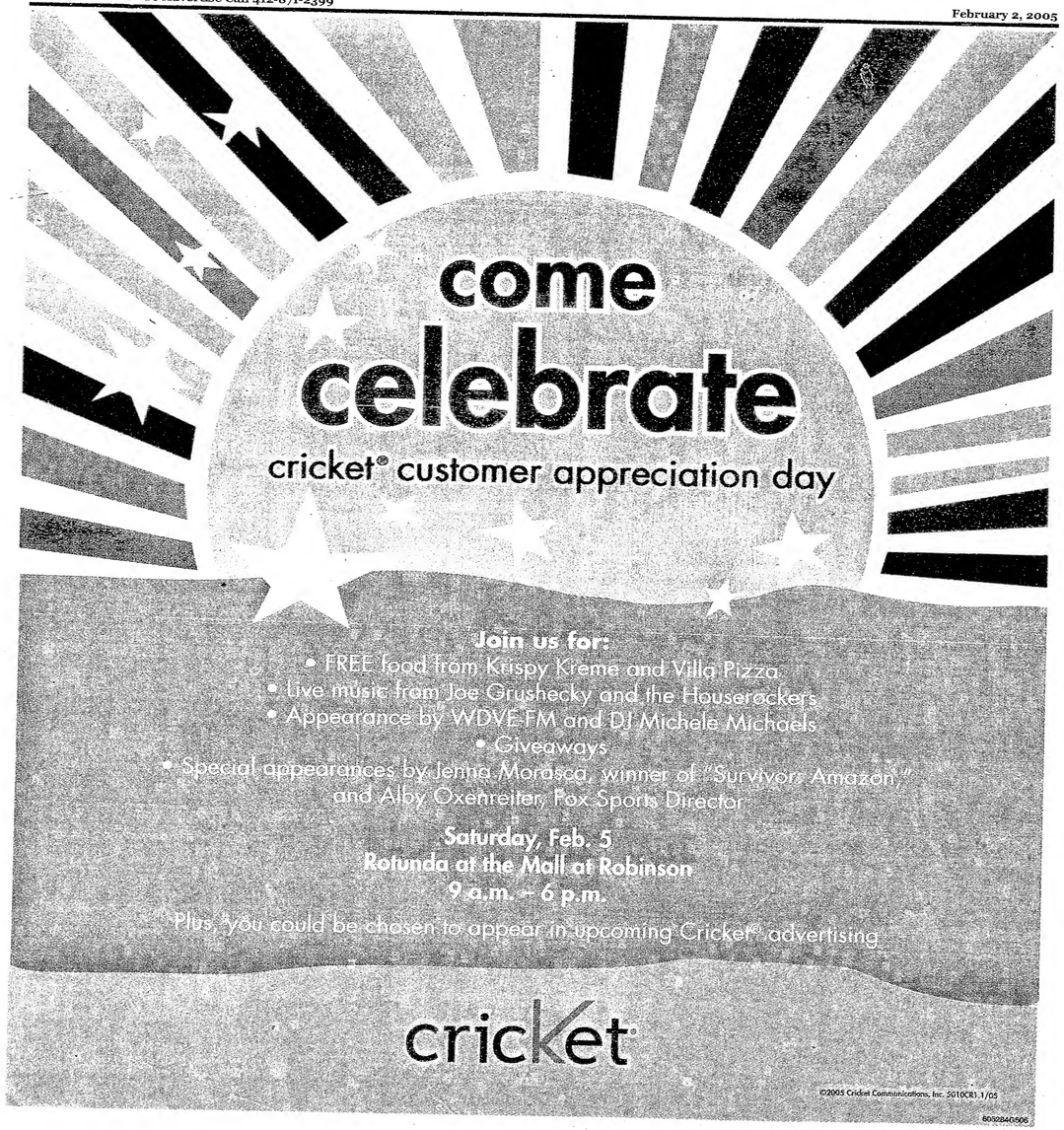
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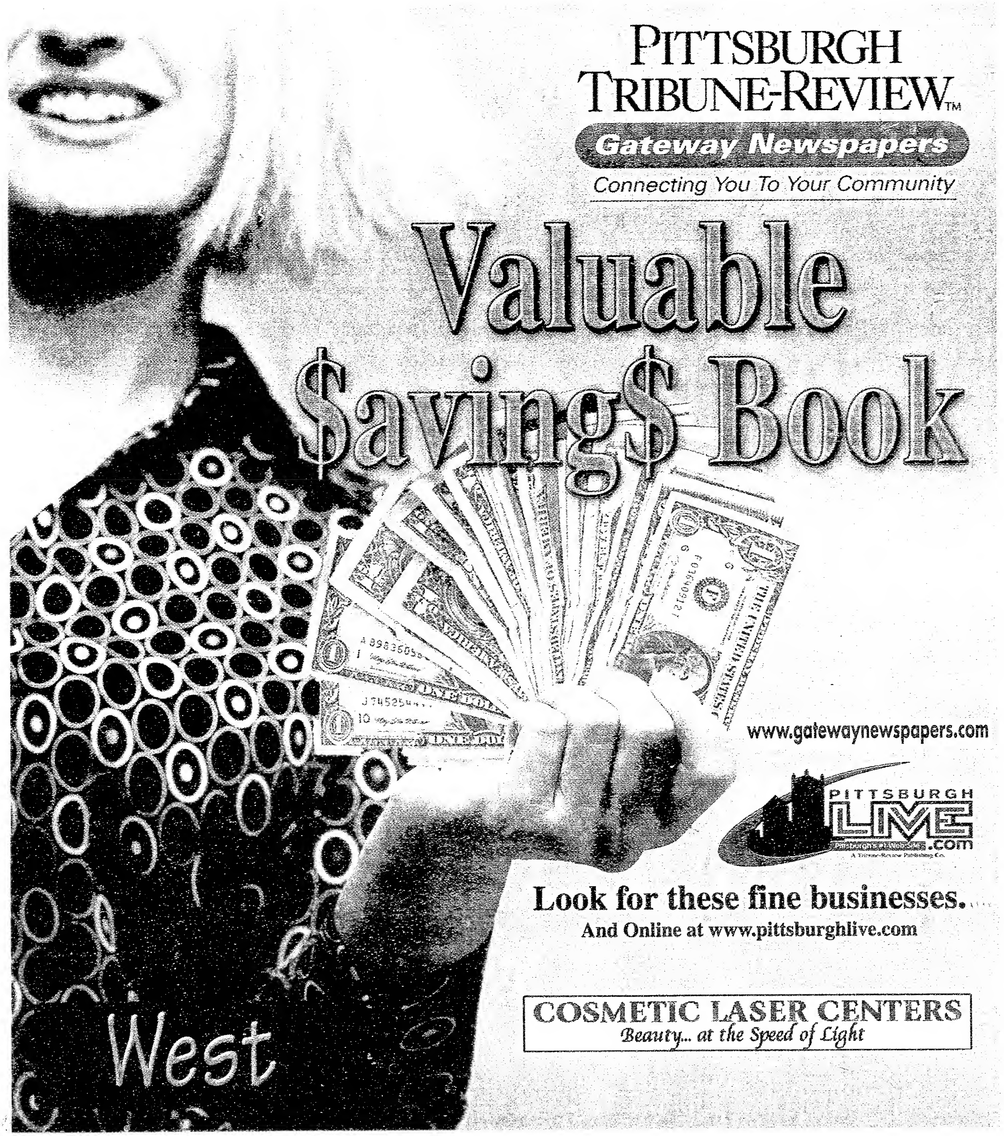

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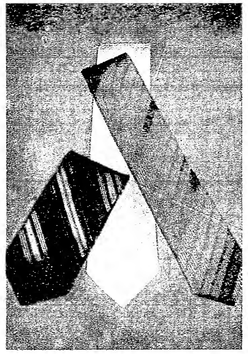

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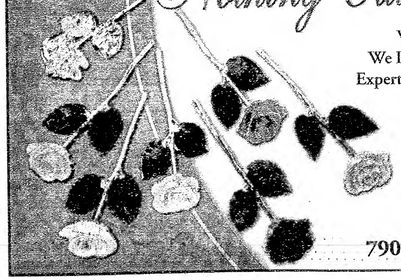

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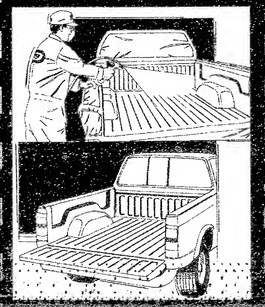

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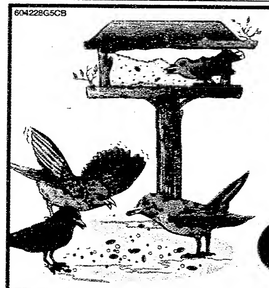

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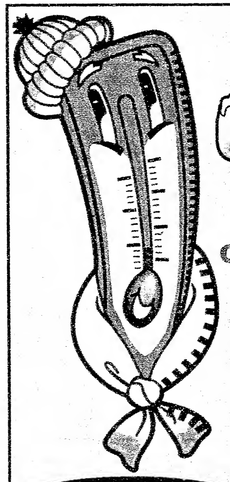

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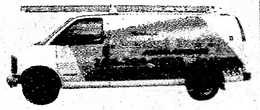

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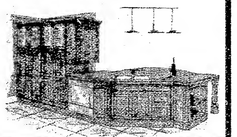

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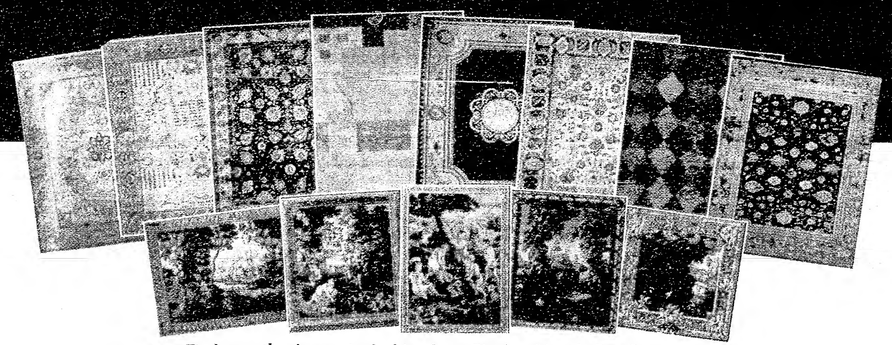

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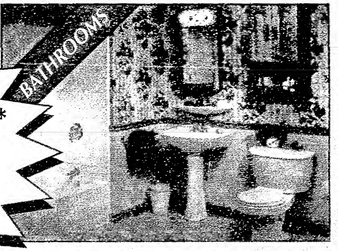

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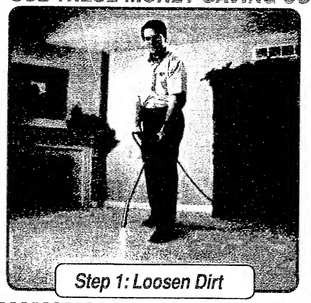

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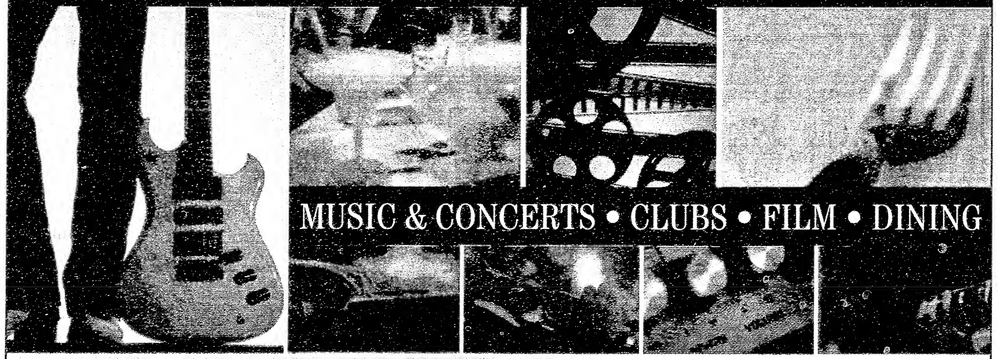

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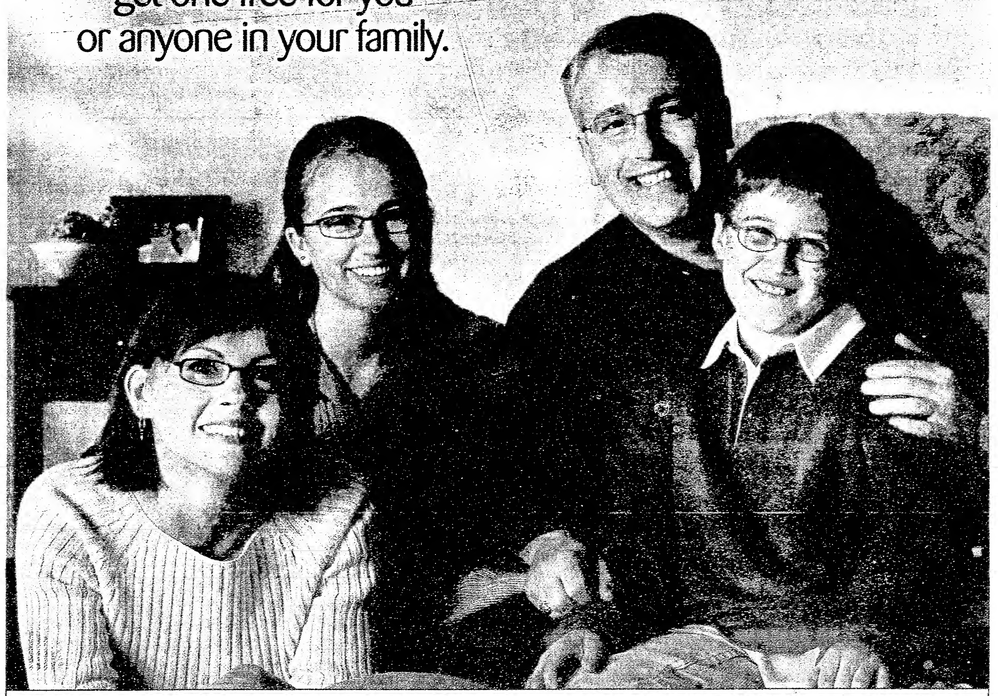

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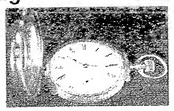

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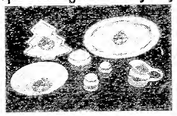

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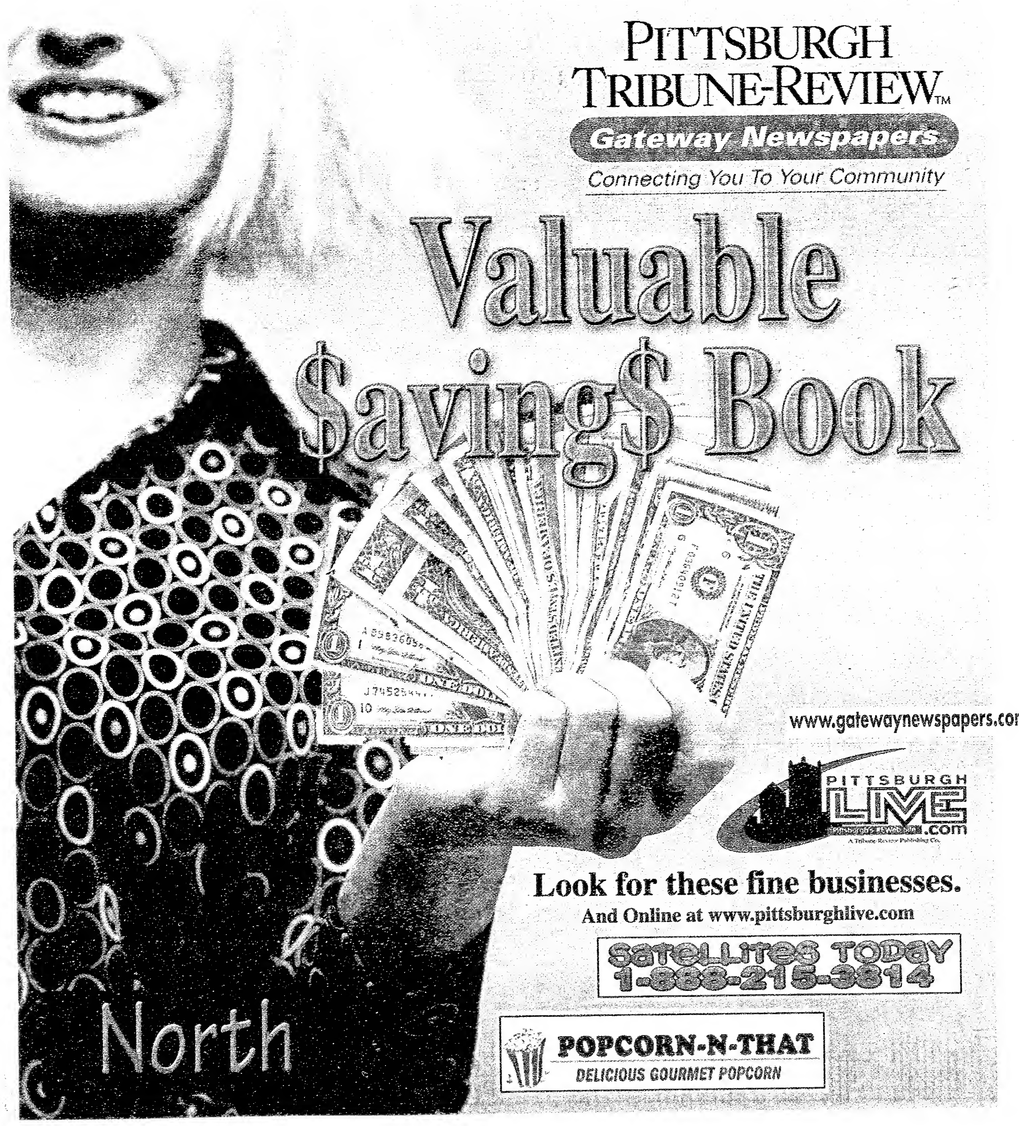
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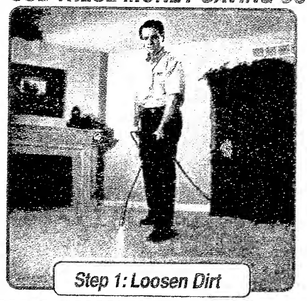

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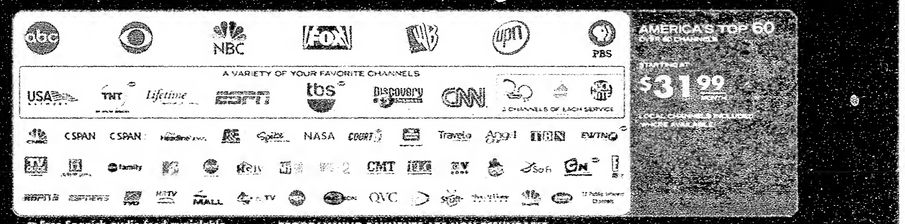

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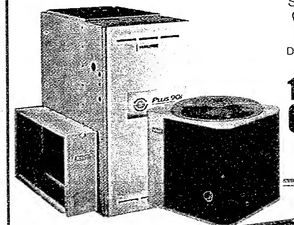

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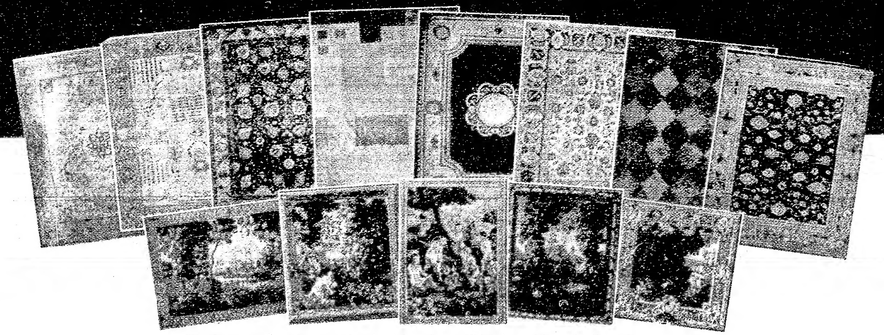

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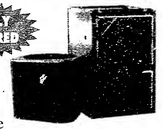

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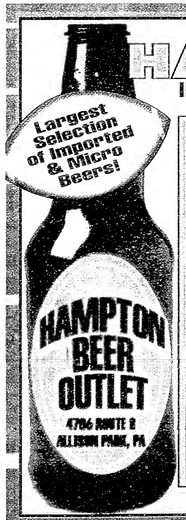

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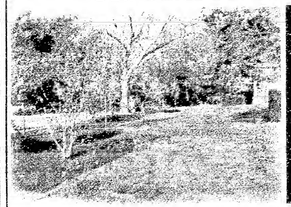

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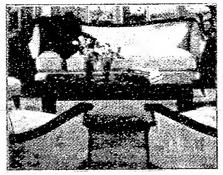

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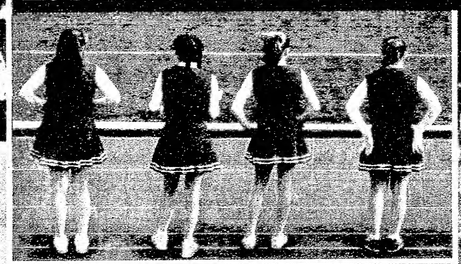

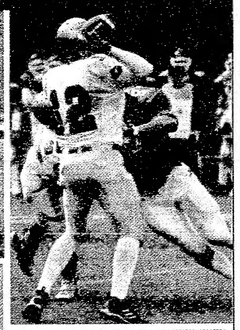

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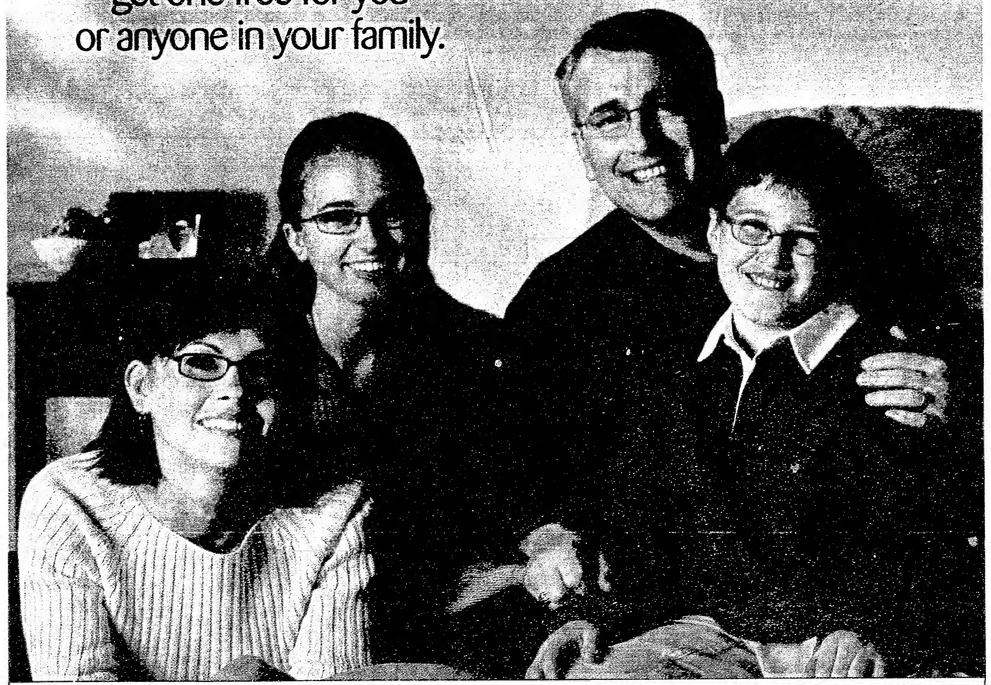

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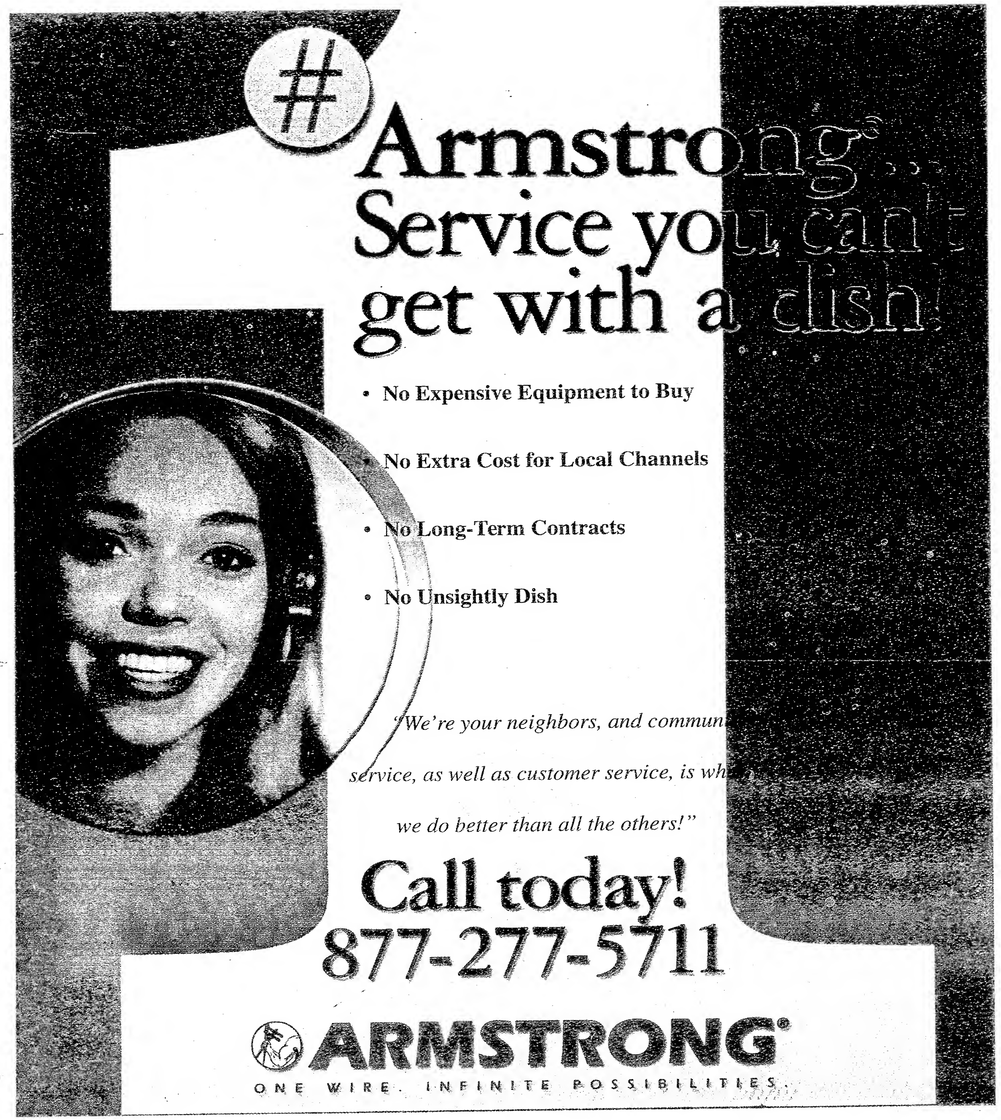
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